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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kowloon... | ...Dep. | 6.40 | 9.15 | 10.30 | 12.00 | 1.15 | 4.35 | 5.29 | 7.10 |
| Yaumati... | ...Dep. | 6.50 | 9.24 | 10.39 | 12.09 | 1.24 | 4.44 | 5.38 | 7.19 |
| Shatin ... | ...Dep. | 7.02 | 9.36 | 10.51 | 12.21 | 1.36 | 4.56 | 5.51 | 7.31 |
| Taipo ... | ...Dep. | 7.16 | 9.49 | 11.04 | 12.34 | 1.49 | 5.09 | 6.04 | 7.44 |
| Taipo Market | ...Dep. | 7.21 | 9.53 | 11.08 | 12.38 | 1.53 | 5.13 | 6.08 | 7.48 |
| Fanling ... | ...Dep. | 7.32 | 10.03 | 11.18 | 12.48 | 2.03 | 5.24 | 6.19 | 7.58 |
| Sheungshui | ...Dep. | 7.36 | 10.07 | 11.22 | 12.52 | 2.07 | 5.28 | 6.23 | 8.02 |
| Shumchun | ...Arr. | 7.42 | 10.13 | 11.28 | 12.58 | 2.13 | 5.34 | 6.29 | 8.08 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Shumchun | ...Dep. | 7.21 | 8.05 | 10.38 | 11.40 | 3.00 | 4.17 | 5.13 | 6.06 |
| Sheungshui | ...Dep. | 7.28 | 8.12 | 10.45 | 11.47 | 3.07 | 4.24 | 5.20 | 6.15 |
| Fanling ... | ...Dep. | 7.32 | 8.16 | 10.49 | 11.51 | 3.11 | 4.28 | 5.24 | 6.19 |
| Taipo Market | ...Dep. | 7.42 | 8.26 | 10.59 | 12.02 | 3.21 | 4.38 | 5.34 | 6.29 |
| Taipo ... | ...Dep. | 7.46 | 8.30 | 11.04 | 12.07 | 3.25 | 4.42 | 5.38 | 6.33 |
| Shatin ... | ...Dep. | 7.59 | 8.43 | 11.17 | 12.21 | 3.38 | 4.56 | 5.51 | 6.46 |
| Yaumati... | ...Dep. | 8.12 | 8.55 | 11.29 | 12.33 | 3.50 | 5.08 | 6.03 | 6.58 |
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| Taipo ... | ...Dep. | 7.16 | — | 9.49 | 11.04 | 12.34 | 2.56 | 6.05 | 7.44 |
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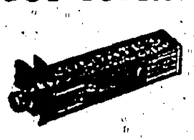

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In view of the fact that a revision of the telephone monopoly in Hongkong is being discussed by the Company with the Government, the following review by the Shanghai Municipal Council of its negotiations with the Shanghai Mutual Telephone Co., Ltd., will not be without interest in Hongkong:—

In December, 1923, the Company addressed a letter to the Council suggesting a conference between the Directors of the Company and representatives of the Shanghai and French Municipal Councils for the purpose of determining whether or not the automatic system should be gradually substituted for the manual throughout the whole of the Company's service, and to discuss the question of the extension of the Company's franchise and a revision of the tariff of charges. A conference was duly held (Mr. G. Wilson representing the Council) and although no concrete conclusions were arrived at, the Council was satisfied that the Company had made out a case justifying the fullest consideration. The most urgent point requiring decision was the question of the introduction of the automatic system, for the reason that the existing capacity of the Company's exchanges only just allowed for the installation of the automatic side by side with the manual. To postpone the installation of the automatic to some later date would have meant the erection of additional buildings, with consequent increased cost to the subscriber. The Council fully realized that temporary inconvenience to the subscriber would be occasioned by the change, but it was recognized that Shanghai had fallen far behind other towns in continuing the manual system for many years after it had been discarded elsewhere.

In adopting the Company's proposal as regards the automatic, the Council was largely influenced by the unquestioned fact that this system has proved entirely successful in other towns and would afford comparative immunity from the inconvenience (and possible danger) of strikes on the part of operators. The operation of the Automatic Exchange that has been installed in the Eastern District has (as fully explained in the Company's statement) been complicateed by the faults that have been discovered in certain parts of the apparatus, and although the inconvenience caused to subscribers is to be regretted, the Council can find in this incident no sufficient reason for altering its decision that the automatic system is desirable and essential for Shanghai. The Council, however, is not satisfied that the particular type of automatic now in operation in the Eastern District is the most suitable for Shanghai, and it is proposed to go further into this matter with the Company at an early date.

At an early stage of the negotiations the Council recorded the opinion "that the agreements under which the Public Utilities Companies of Shanghai operate do not allow for an adequate measure of control being exercised by the ratepayers' representatives over certain vital matters of financial and general policy," and advantage was taken of the opportunity afforded by the negotiations for suggesting to the Company a revision of the Agreement of 1907. A memorandum was prepared by the Council outlining a scheme the objects of which were (1) to identify the interests of the Directors of the Company with those of the Council in such a manner as to remove any possible source of friction arising in the future; (2) to provide for an adequate return to shareholders and the proper maintenance of their security, i.e., the assets of the Company, and (3) to substitute the interests of the subscriber for those of the shareholder as the chief incentive for the affairs of the Company being conducted on the most economical lines.

The Council's proposals and a copy of the memorandum were forwarded to the Company under cover of a letter dated April 3rd, the whole correspondence being published in the *Municipal Gazette* of April 5th. The principles under-lying the scheme were accepted by the Directors, and the whole problem was ventilated at the last Meeting of Ratepayers at which the Council was instructed to proceed with the negotiations on the lines laid down in the memorandum. The revised agreement, which has tentatively been agreed to by both parties, limits the Company's dividend to a maximum rate of 8 per cent. per annum; provides for full and adequate control by the Council over the Company's operations, and finally ensures that the future financing of the Company will be conducted on the most economical lines. Further than this, any surplus that may result from the operation of the tariff will be earmarked for the benefit of subscribers after the legitimate and defined claims of shareholders have been satisfied. In effect the scheme is one that will ensure the same measure of control being exercised by the Council as if the Company were a Municipal undertaking, but frees the Council from direct responsibility in connection with finance and the details of management.

Under the scheme proposed by the Council and accepted by the Company, the tariff of charges is to be revised every five years. The fixing of an initial tariff was necessarily a somewhat difficult problem, and the greatest care has been taken to ensure that the revised charges are on such a basis as to safeguard the interests of the shareholders while at the same time not unduly penalising the subscribers. The Secretary of the Company has been in close collaboration with the Treasurer and Comptroller for some months past and has prepared detailed statements of the Company's revenue and capital requirements for the next five years, which have been subjected to the closest scrutiny. The natural tendency of the Company was to err on the side of safety in the interests of the shareholder, while the Treasurer and Comptroller's efforts have possibly been exercised mainly in the interests of the subscriber. As the result of the investigations that have been made the Council is fully satisfied that the operating costs of the Telephone Service have increased to such an extent as to justify a revision of the tariff under the provisions of Clause 9 of the Agreement of 1907. The Company has also satisfied the Council that heavy capital expenditure is necessary in the near future to cope with its constantly increasing number of subscribers, and that this expenditure is necessary whether future extensions are carried out on the manual or automatic basis, although in the former case the outlay would not be so heavy as in the latter. The annual charges (interest and depreciation) on this capital expenditure will further materially increase the working costs of the Company and would be difficult if not impossible to finance by a Company showing an inadequate return to its shareholders, which would be the position under the old tariff of charges. It has been suggested by certain correspondents that the increased charges are required in order to allow the Company to finance its capital outlay out of its current revenue. The Council wishes it to be clearly understood that such a revolutionary proposal has not been even considered. The Company's future capital requirements will be financed either by additional share or debenture issues, and the choice between these two methods will rest on financial expediency and the interests of the subscriber as distinct from the shareholder.

A number of petitions have been received from representative Chinese Associations, the majority of which characterise the increase of rates sanctioned by the Council as "exorbitant." In actual fact that increased tariff represents an advance of 15½ per cent. and 20 per cent. respectively on the rates formerly in operation for residential and business telephones. Strong exception is also taken in these petitions to the application of the message rate to institutions such as hotels, restaurants, clubs, etc. The Council gave the fullest consideration to this innovation, and is perfectly satisfied that the new method of charging is justified, and is the only method by which such institutions can be made to contribute an equitable quota to the Company's revenue. Quite apart from this side of the question, and as pointed out by the Secretary and Acting General Manager by the company, the agreement signed by subscribers prohibits the use of the telephone by any other person than the subscriber or those in his immediate employ, and although this clause has not been insisted upon by the Company in the past, the time has arrived when the number of calls from this class of subscriber has increased to such an extent as to prejudice the service to the ordinary residential and business subscriber.

A deputation from the Amalgamated Association of Chinese Hotels, Restaurants and Teashops was seen by the Chairman on Tuesday, the 6th inst., and this meeting was followed by one at which the members of the Chinese Advisory Committee were present, together with representatives from the Association of Chinese Hotels and the Amalgamated Association of Street Unions. At this latter meeting, which was held on Thursday, the 8th inst., a full and frank discussion of the whole problem took place, and the Council's reasons for its attitude were explained in great detail by the Chairman and the Treasurer and Comptroller, while the Secretary and Acting General Manager of the Company gave a full explanation of the necessity for the introduction of the message rate as applied to a certain class of subscriber. Some misunderstanding appeared to exist as to how the message rate would operate in practice, and the Council has had no hesitation in approving a suggestion made at the meeting that the principle of charging on the message rate basis should be given one year's trial and that the question should be reconsidered if an application is received from the Association of Chinese Hotels, Restaurants and Teashops three months before the termination of the current year. The Council has little doubt that when the message rate has been in operation a few months, the Chinese will be the first to appreciate its advantages.

The Council has been aware for some time past that the service given by the Company has been adversely criticized by an increasing number of subscribers, and it is for this reason that the Council has considered it desirable to strengthen its control over the Company's activities. The Company has real difficulties to contend with in serving such a cosmopolitan community as that of Shanghai, and the Council supports the Company in its appeal that subscribers should do what they can to co-operate with and assist the Company's officials.

On reviewing all the circumstances surrounding the question, the Council is satisfied that the revised agreement it is proposed to enter upon will ultimately prove in the general interests of the subscribers to the Service, and that the revised Tariff of Charges now in force is framed on an equitable basis.

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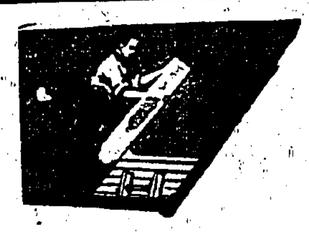

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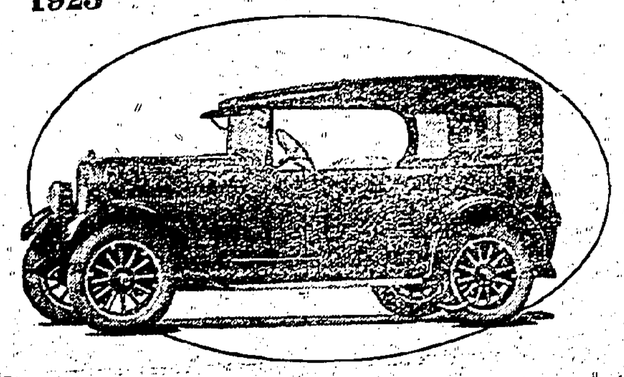

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## PENNY POSTAGE.

### THE P.M.G.'S REPLY TO BRITISH TRADERS.

An official report has been issued of the speeches made by the deputation from the Association of British Chambers of Commerce which was received by the Postmaster-General in London, and of Sir William Mitchell-Thomson's reply.

The Postmaster-General, in his reply, said that he thought the underlying principle in the minds of the deputation was that the essential aim of a State trading service ought to be the rendering of service to the citizens, and not the exaction of tribute. The application of it, however, to the existing system presented very considerable difficulties, and for the purpose of their discussion they must assume the basis that the surplus of the Post Office was, and was likely to be, of considerable interest to the Chancellor of the Exchequer of the day.

Citizens were constantly suggesting improvements, and as matters stood at present the Postmaster-General and the Chancellor of the day really had to do their best to try to hold the balance between the citizen as user of the service and the citizen in his capacity as taxpayer. Every suggestion which the Postmaster-General got for the improvement of the service involved additional expenditure. Assuming that these reforms involved at the outset some financial sacrifice and that the institution of one reform might involve the temporary displacement of another, he asked if it was the deputation's considered view that of all reforms in postal facilities the reversion to penny post was the most vital and most urgent of all. ("Yes" by all present.)

He expected that answer and, personally, he agreed with them. With regard to the cost, they were in the realm of conjecture, but the estimate for the first full year planned out at about £5,600,000. If that was anywhere near right, even those who wanted immediate reversion to penny post must see that a change involving financial operations of such magnitude presented considerable difficulties. The establishment of Imperial penny postage, if he remembered rightly, cost something less than £100,000, and there was a considerable difference between that and the relative proportion of 5½ millions, and really no Chancellor of the Exchequer could be reasonably expected to make a change of that financial magnitude in somebody else's Budget in the last three months of its life.

As regards the Post Office Budget though the patient would survive an operation of that character, he would be considerably enfeebled, because they might have to take into account the results of certain cases in which the decision of the Courts had been against the State. He was in communication with the Law Officers as to whether an appeal should be presented with regard to those cases or not. With a contingent commitment of this size in view, the Chancellor of the Exchequer must look forward to the coming year, and he could only look forward to the coming year when he had got a fuller knowledge of the estimated requirements of the Departments which were now being scrutinized by the Treasury.

All, therefore, that he could say that day was that penny postage would undoubtedly be reviewed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer when he was able to survey the whole field of national finance, and he (the Postmaster-General) promised that the deputation's arguments would be presented to Mr. Churchill with all the emphasis which he could command.

## GERMANY'S TRADE TREATIES.

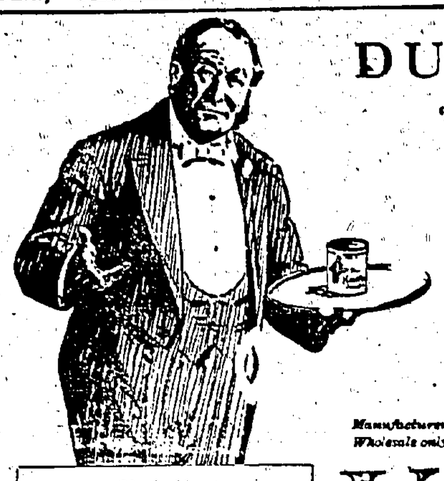
### DIFFICULTIES OF THE RUSSIAN CASE.

The latest developments in Germany's exceedingly slow and difficult negotiations for a commercial treaty with the ex-enemy nations point to fairly plain sailing now that the treaty with England has shown the way, writes the Berlin correspondent of the London *Observer*. The only really uphill work is considered to lie with Russia. It is odd to find in papers of the most divergent views comments on the new British Government's treatment of the Anglo-Russian Treaty drawn up under Mr. MacDonald's regime, and to discover them unanimous in their approval of England's rejection of that document. Faced with the various exigencies of all the twenty-two countries still to be dealt with, German economists to-day are everywhere in favour of applying the principles underlying the Anglo-German Treaty as a model of its kind to any other that is to follow. But special considerations govern any form of treaty with Russia, and here Germany believes that she is performing to a certain extent pioneer work, for which other nations will have cause to be grateful to her, or the reverse.

The most interesting point in these comments is that concerning the most-favoured-nation system, which, working so well elsewhere, has in Russia no significance at all. Germany learned this lesson at the time of her conflict with Russia on the occasion of the Berlin police searching Soviet headquarters for Bolshevik propaganda. The formula is still being sought which will provide a satisfactory treaty between nations whose economic structure is so fundamentally different as that of the average trade-treaty-making nation and Russia with the State as monopolist.

## WHEN NIGHT BEGINS.

The Court of Criminal Appeal consisting of the Lord Chief Justice (Lord Hewart) and Justices Avory and Salter, held last month that a man arrested before 9 p.m. could not be convicted of a charge of possessing housebreaking implements at night, and quashed the conviction at Chelmsford Assizes, of a man who was sentenced to five years' penal servitude on that charge.

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## MILLIONS CLAIM BY KRUPPS.

### ROYALTIES ON BRITISH SHELL-FUSES.

An action will shortly come before the Anglo-German Mixed Tribunal in which Krupps, the German ordnance firm, will claim royalties on millions of shell-fuses made by Vickers, Ltd., for British soldiers during the war.

The case first came before the tribunal last September and was adjourned. It should have been resumed last month, but was postponed. At the last hearing Sir Patrick Hastings, M.P., then Attorney-General, appeared for Vickers, but it is expected that Sir Douglas Hogg, M.P., the new Attorney-General, will appear for them at the next hearing.

Krupps are asking for a royalty of 1s. 2d. or 1s. 6d. on each fuse, according to size, as well as 5 per cent. interest, an immense sum of money being involved.

The claim is based on an agreement between them and Vickers, made in 1902, under which Vickers agreed to pay a royalty on each fuse they made according to the German firm's specification. On the outbreak of war Vickers ceased paying the royalties. They now contend that Articles 299a and 306 of the Versailles Treaty automatically dissolved the agreement.

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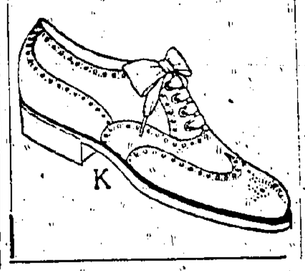

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# THE MEDICAL CONFERENCE

## LEPROSY: SOME INTERESTING FACTS.

### LEPROSY IN INDIA AND CHINA.

Yesterday was the third and concluding day of the Joint Conference. It will be followed on Monday by the opening of the 17th Biennal Conference of the China Medical Missionary Association.

The opening address at the morning session yesterday by Dr. E. Muir, of the Calcutta School of Tropical Medicine, on "Leprosy," formed an admirable introduction to the series of papers that followed on the same subject and which proved to be full of interest and information. In the very short time at his disposal, Dr. Muir was unable to go fully into his paper and could only outline a few of the principal points connected with this important subject.

Dr. John Kirk, F.R.C.S. (Edin.), Canton (President of the C.M.M.A.), presided and welcomed Dr. Muir, on behalf of the Conference.

#### PAPER BY DR E. MUIR OF CALCUTTA.

Dr. Muir said in the Indian census papers the last column was devoted to what were called the three "afflictions": Insanity, deaf-mutism and leprosy. There are no columns for other diseases: indeed leprosy was regarded not as a disease which might be cured or which would end fatally, but as an affliction—an affliction of the Gods the Indian would call it for some sin committed in a former life. Leprosy was called in India "The Great Disease."

It was assumed, he said, that leprosy was a self-healing disease; that in a typical case a few bacilli were introduced into the body which after a longer or shorter incubation period increased in number to a sufficient extent to cause lesions, and that, as in other bacterial diseases, immunity was gradually formed which caused recession of the infection until a cure resulted. In other words, leprosy was comparable to an acute bacterial disease such as, say, enteric, only that whereas in enteric the disease eliminated itself in 21 days leprosy might take 21 years. That was the essential difference. Leprosy was not a fatal disease. It was because it was not a fatal disease that people dreaded it so much.

Great stress should be laid on the importance of early diagnosis and treatment. In Calcutta they had found that of their A1 cases, who were efficiently treated and who persisted with treatment for a long enough period, almost 100 per cent. lost all active signs of the disease within a comparatively short time.

While it was impossible to claim a permanent cure for a disease in which the bacilli might lie latent for 20 or 30 years without producing any noticeable, active signs, it would be readily seen that, if they had the means of arresting the disease in its early stage, they had a fair prospect of ridding the patient entirely of the disease to the extent that no active signs would appear again provided the patient remained in good general health. Many such cases which would have passed on into the more advanced stages, would in this way be prevented from becoming a public menace. In other words, they would be able to cut off the infection at its source, and therein lay the chief hope of finally stamping out the disease.

At present in most countries leprosy was looked upon with such dread that the unfortunate sufferers were dismissed from their employment as soon as they were diagnosed as suffering from the disease, no attention being paid to whether the disease was still in its early, non-infectious stage or had passed on to a stage in which it was highly infectious. The patient on being dismissed from his employment or because of the social ostracism to which he was exposed became mentally and physically depressed, a condition which was most favourable for the rapid increase of the disease.

It was most important that all cases should be diagnosed at the earliest stage. Unfortunately, the usual method of dealing with the disease was the opposite of this: the patient, afraid of the consequences of the discovery of his illness, hid it as long as possible. Especially was this the case in countries in which segregation was carried out too relentlessly by law. The result of such laws was often to remove the more obvious lepers from the community, but the most obvious lepers were not always the most dangerous ones. It was generally supposed that the most dangerous lepers were those with open ulcers, indeed according to the leper law of 1898 in India, a leper was only a leper according to the act when he had a discharging sore. The majority of such sores were of trophic origin and only appeared in the stage when the disease had nearly burned itself out. At the Purulia Leper Asylum in India which contained some 700 or 800 inmates he once gathered all the lepers who had open ulcers. There were 250 in all. Of these only three cases showed bacilli in their ulcers. The forcible segregation of obvious lepers would therefore only skim the surface. It would not get at the early cases or eradicate the evil. It was like cutting off the weed above the ground, while the root was left to spread below the surface.

All attempts to produce human leprosy in the lower animal had so far failed. In other words, the resistance of these lower animals was sufficient to overcome the infection when it had been inoculated.

One of the diseases which there was a good deal of reason to believe was a very common important factor in leprosy was syphillis.

All febrile conditions predisposed to leprosy, especially fever of prolonged duration, or those which tended to leave the patient weak and prostrate. Another predisposing cause of great importance in India and which would probably be of equal importance in China, was hookworm disease. In five leper asylums in India where they made a systematic examination they found on an average 90 per cent. of the inmates infected.

Diet was most important and patients should always have plenty of fresh food and vegetables, milk and butter. Absorption of toxines from the bowel predisposed to leprosy. Abundant exercise was most important and great benefit was derived in leprosy from it. He advised his leprous patients to walk 15 miles a day or take its equivalent in some other form of exercise. Climate was a most important factor, as either excessive heat or excessive cold seemed to be favourable to leprosy, and the reason why leprosy was so much more common in southern than in northern China was probably dependent more upon the humidity than upon the temperature. The mental factor must not be neglected and all these factors must be taken in full consideration when dealing with leprosy. Having eliminated the predisposing cause or causes and ensured that the patients would remain under hygienic and cheerful conditions, that he would have abundant work of a suitable nature to keep him occupied and that he was having sufficient vigorous exercise, the nature of the various methods of special treatment suitable to the class of case should be considered. This should be local and general and was of various forms.

Dr. John Kirk expressed thanks to Dr. Muir for his paper and mentioned that at the Biennial Conference on Monday, two hours had been set apart for a symposium on leprosy, and no doubt they would hear more fully on this important subject from Dr. Muir then.

#### CHINA LEPER SURVEY.

In the Medical, Pharmacology, and Public Health Room Dr. H. Fowler, (Shanghai), submitted a paper containing some very valuable information, concerning "The China Leper Survey." He said that for his purpose he had divided China into parts: the six maritime Provinces, the five Yangtze Provinces, the four North-west Provinces, the three Southern Provinces; and the Outer Provinces. To a select body of medical men and consular officials in these provinces, a questionnaire was sent dealing with the attitude of local authorities, treatment and segregation. From the majority important matter was received in reply. The Maritime Provinces reports showed clearly that the disease was endemic, was widespread in Kwangtung, cases continually arising. To estimate the total number of lepers in Kwangtung, or any other given section, was impossible, but cases were frequent in the towns, though less frequent in the mountainous districts. Some were found in Fukien and in Kiangsu, and in all big cities. Many of the great number that existed in Shantung were found to be from Kwangtung. In Weihaiwei there were thirty cases, one in every 3,000 of the population. Shantung had a case in every ten thousand, while in Chihli the disease was practically unknown. He considered the Maritime Provinces as a district which would form an excellent basis for research work by authorities and the medical man. The disease was particularly prevalent in Central China and nine-tenths of the cases were found within a sixty-mile radius of Hankow. All over China the majority of cases were among the coolie and beggar class. Honan in parts reported the disease prevalent and in Hunan there were numerous cases. Kiangsi had cases and the Thibetan lepers there were generally of the better classes. In Szechuan leprosy was rarely found, except among the aboriginal tribes.

#### TREATMENT OF LEPROSY.

Dr. V. G. Heiser (New York), being unable to be present a paper by him on "The present status of the treatment for Leprosy," was read by Dr. J. Anderson, in which Dr. Heiser stated that reports showed that Chaulmogra Oil appeared to have the best prospects of success, especially in the early stages of the disease.


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## CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL.

### ANNUAL PRIZE DAY.

#### SIR CLAUD SEVERN PRESENTS THE PRIZES.

The annual Prize Day of the Central British School, Nathan Road, Kowloon, took place yesterday, when the Hon. Sir Claud Severn presented the prizes.

The proceedings were timed to commence at 11 a.m., but Sir Claud, who was accompanied by Lady Severn, arrived earlier, and inspected the School premises before the prize-giving ceremony.

A smart guard-of-honour of Girl Guides under their Captain, Miss Owen Hughes, assisted by her Lieutenant, Miss Holyoak, were present, and lined the steps of the School both on the arrival and the departure of the distinguished visitors.

So large was the assembly of parents and pupils that the big hall of the institution was packed some time before the proceedings began.

Presenting the annual report, the Headmaster, Mr. G. Franklin Nightingale, said: Sir Claud Severn, ladies and gentlemen,—During the year 1924 there were great developments in every department of the School and it seems probable that in the near future additional buildings will become necessary. Our numbers are increasing,—to-day there are 135 on the roll,—and the present building will soon be too small if the development of the residential part of Kowloon continues at the same rate.

ATTENDANCE.

The School was opened on 195 days. The maximum enrolment was 136. In January there were 118 on the roll, in December 128. The average attendance during the whole year was 97, the highest average attendance being 116 in December. The attendance on the whole was good in spite of absences due to measles, malaria and dengue fever. The heat of September caused many to be absent, the average daily attendance falling to 96. There were very few cases of absence due to trivial reasons, and I am pleased to be able to record the willing co-operation of parents in our efforts to enforce regular and punctual attendance at school.

MEDICAL INSPECTION.

The School was medically examined in April and an excellent report was again made by the M.O.H., Dr. Woodman. It is very gratifying to note the healthy condition of the pupils of this School.

CHANGES OF STAFF.

There were several changes in the Staff during the year. Mrs. Cooper, Housewifery and Cookery Mistress, joined us in December 1923, Miss Kitson in January 1924, Miss Macfarlane in June, Miss Hall, transferred from Ellis Kadoorie School, in September, and Miss Brown, transferred from Queen's College, in November.

Mrs. Hall resigned in December 1923, Mrs. Meacock in April 1924, and in November Miss Thompson, who in December was married to Mr. Orme. We all join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Orme every happiness.

Mr. Tolley was transferred to Queen's College in September. It is our earnest wish that there may be no changes in the Staff this year, for, in this age of specialization, when a subject is taken throughout the school by a member of the Staff who has made a special study of that subject, the work of a school is seriously affected by such changes.

At the Central British School we are offering children of British parentage educational facilities of a high standard, equal in every respect to those offered by home schools. We are striving to develop a school spirit imbued with the best traditions of the home Public School, and to make this a school of truthfulness, honesty, manliness, and clean playing on and off the field. Very few schools possess a Staff who have qualifications higher than those possessed by the members of the Staff of this School, or who display keener enthusiasm in the cause of education, education in the best and deepest sense.

VISITORS.

The School was visited by the Director of Education, the Inspector of English Schools, Mr. B. Wylie, a member of the Board of Education, Mr. W. W. Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hongkong, Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Education Commissions from both Japan and the Philippine Islands, and many parents and friends. I wish to remind all parents that I am always ready to meet them at the School to show them the Class-rooms and Laboratories and the work done here, and to discuss questions relating to their own children and to education in general.

Latin, Chemistry and Physics have now been added to the School curriculum. Latin is taken in Classes 1 and 2 by those boys and girls who propose to matriculate in the University of London after passing the local Matriculation Examination. At the beginning of the year a Physics Laboratory was fitted up in one of the class-rooms built in 1922, and at the end of the year a Chemistry Laboratory was added. In March the building of 6 new class-rooms was completed and they are now occupied by Classes 4-6. Two rooms were converted into store-rooms for our up-to-date stock of Chemistry and Physics material. Excellent tiffins are now provided at the School,—a small charge being made,—for children coming from Hongkong. I shall be pleased to send copies of the School Prospectus for 1924-25 to anyone interested in the Central British School and in the education of British children in the East.

CHARITY.

The pupils of this School have been very active in the cause of charity. They took part in the sale of Poppies on Armistice Day and in the Annual Bazaar of the Ministering Children's League. The girls of Classes 3 and 4 raised a sum of £21.12.0, for which they sent a draft to the London Hospital.

Our thanks are due to Mr. W. G. Joseph, Mr. O. I. Ellis, and Mr. A. Allison for supplying the School Library with books, magazines and illustrated papers. Captain R. F. Mitchell presented a collection of shells and coral to the School Museum. A new section, containing 150 volumes, was very generously given by Mr. W. G. Joseph, and I appeal to all parents and friends for further gifts of books and magazines. We also thank the Director of the Royal Observatory for sending us the daily Weather Map.

EXAMINATIONS.

The Midsummer and Annual Examinations showed very good results in both the Upper and the Lower classes of the School. For the Matriculation and Senior Local Examinations we entered the whole of Class 1, 10 candidates, of whom 8 passed, 3 gaining the Matriculation, and 5 the Senior Local certificates. This is an excellent result, comparing very favourably with that obtained by any other school in the Colony. (Applause.) V. Wheller passed in English, Mathematics, Latin, French, Geography, and History, being awarded the Montargis French Prize. K. Jenner is the youngest boy in the East to obtain the Matriculation certificate. He is only 13.

The English and Mathematics were good, Arithmetic excepted, in which subject lower marks than expected were obtained. The French results were much better than those of past years, only one candidate failing in this subject.

For the Junior Local Examination we entered the whole of Class 2, 9 candidates, 6 of whom were successful. One boy, J. Maycock, passed in 8 subjects, gaining distinction in Arithmetic, Mathematics and Drawing.

In the School Annual Examination a high standard of marking was adopted and the results were good. In most classes there is a "tail" consisting of pupils, admitted during the second and third terms of the year, to whom French, Physics, Chemistry, Algebra and Geometry are new subjects. This state of affairs is inevitable in this school.

In spite of all the difficulties experienced in the education of British children in the East, sound work is being done here, as proved by the success of old boys and girls in the Home schools. Invariably they are placed in a form whose average age is higher than theirs: they soon reach the top of the form and gain promotion to a higher. Ivan Joseph, who is leaving us this month has passed the Entrance Examination into Bedford School, being placed in the Fifth Form.

"EZRA ABRAHAM" SCHOLARSHIP.

Mr. Ezra Abraham has given a Scholarship, value $100, which will be awarded annually to the pupil, passing the Junior Local Examination, who obtains the most marks in Mathematics. This is a very generous gift, and I hope that the example set by Mr. Abraham, who has always taken a great interest in this School, will be followed by other friends interested in the education of British children.

OLD PUPILS' ASSOCIATION.

The members of this Association were very active during the year 1924. In the Water Polo League they played throughout the season without losing a match, winning the Shield which is now displayed in the School Hall.

The Prince of Wales' Banner was won by the Central British Shool troop of Girl Guides under their energetic and enthusiastic Captain, Miss Owen Hughes, assisted by Miss Holyoak. Mr. G. J. Tarraut took over the duties of Scoutmaster of the School Boy Scouts.

SPORTS AND GAMES.

The School Athletic Sports were held in January. Cricket has become a very popular game, the covered nets in the Playground being in daily use. A consignment of sports material, for cricket, football, tennis, fives,—was received from home. Our thanks are due to the Committees of the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Kowloon Football Club, who are always ready to encourage youthful talent, for granting us the use of their grounds for matches and practice games. Swimming, as usual, was very popular, permission to use the Kowloon Dock Bathing Beach being again granted by the Dock Recreation Club Committee. We held our annual Empire Day picnic at Big Wave Bay. The School team was in the final of the Schools' Relay Race at the Victoria Recreation Club.

The Physical Instruction and Boxing Classes were held twice a week except during the summer months. At the Schools' Boxing Tournament the Boys' Lightweight Championship was won by K. Jenner, his brother, W. Jenner, being awarded the Men's Bantam weight Championship. We thank Mrs. Weill for presenting a silver cup for the Table Tennis Tournament, which was held during the wet season.

It is interesting to note that old C.B.S. boys at home more than hold their own in Cricket, Football, Swimming and Boxing. One boy, W. Matchin, who left us during the year, won the Boys' Swimming Championship of Sussex, being awarded the "Harry Preston Challenge Cup. A parent informed me the other day that her son had been elected Captain of his home school.

I desire to express to the staff my appreciation of their enthusiastic and loyal support in all the varied activities of the School life, and to thank those who have very generously given prizes, and you, Sir, and Lady Severn for honouring us with your presence here to-day.

(*Continued on next Column*).

Sir CLAUD SEVERN said that he was glad to see such a large attendance of parents, scholars, and those interested in education in Hongkong. The school had come into being as a result of long discussions, in 1923, and as at that time he had been at Home on leave, the present was the first time he had had an opportunity of making a visit to the School. He hoped, however, to do so more frequently in future. After alluding to the success which was attending old pupils who had gone Home, Sir Claud said that he felt sure that his young hearers present would follow in their footsteps. He was pleased to see the cricket nets up in the play-ground, but he had formed the impression that a fast bowler on such wickets would be an extremely destructive individual—until he was informed that matting was put down, which rendered fast bowling innocuous. (Laughter.)

In conclusion Sir Claud expressed his own, and Lady Severn's, pleasure in coming there and seeing how well the school was progressing under Mr. Nightingale. He the proceeded to distribute the prizes to the winners, as under:—

Matriculation.—D. Ellis, K. Jenner, and V. Wheeler.

Senior Local.—A. Bach, R. Moses, J. Stewart, M. Whitley, and S. Whitley.

Junior Local.—C. Allison, J. Hirst, J. Maycock, T. Whitley, S. Williams, and R. Witchell.

Government Scholarships.—Class 1A (Matriculation), V. Wheller, 1B (Senior Local), S. Whitley; 2 (Junior Local), R. Witchell; 3, K. Hammond, 4A, Y. Dorf; 4B, C. Tacchi; 5A, R. Mead; 5B, L. Glendinning; and 6, U. Mitchell.

Class Prizes.—A (Matriculation), 1, V. Wheeler; 2, D. Ellis (presented by Messrs. Kelly & Walsh). 1B (Senior Local), 1, R. Jenner; 2, S. Whitly (presented by Mr E. Abraham). 2 (Junior Local) 1, J. Maycock; 2, R. Witchell (presented by Mr. E. Abraham). 3: 1, K. Hammond; 2, D. Salter (presented by Mr. Abraham). 4A: 1, Y. Dorf; 2, R. Woolley (presented by Mr. L. M. Whyte). 4B: 1, G. Tacchi; 2, W. Hirst (presented by Mr. L. M. Whyte). 5A: 1, E. Mead; 2, K. Nightingale. 5B: 1, L. Glendinning; 2, O. Carr. 6: 1, U. Mitchell and 2, M. Taylor.

Garrison School Scholarships.—E. Anslow, B. Budden, M. George, P. Hunt, A. Maycock, and C. Maynard.

J. R. M. Smith Scholarship.—J. Stewart and C. Allison.

Ezra Abraham Scholarship.—J. Maycock.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Scholarships.—K. Jenner and M. Groundwater.

Wylie Composition Prize.—V. Wheller.

Wylie Composition Prize.—(Special) M. Weston.

Montargis French Prize.—V. Wheller.

War Memorial Prize.—V. Wheller.

Head Master's Prize.—K. Jenner.

Rev. H. Copley Moyle's Prize for Scripture.—S. Whitley.

Rev. H. Johnston's Prize for Scripture.—J. Maycock.

Mr. N. Wheller's Prize for Mathematics.—K. Jenner.

Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggins' Prize for History.—S. Whitley.

Miss Bascombe's Prize for History C. Allison.

Mr. G. G. Wood's Prize for Mathematics (Class 3).—J. Laing.

Mr. T. R. Rowell's Prize for Geography (Class 3).—M. Weston.

Captain R. F. Mitchell's Prize for Mathematics (Class 4).—V. Dorf.

Arithmetic Prizes.—Class 5A. Presented by Mr. G. Tacchi: E. Mead. A. Fowler. Class 5B: L. Glendinning. Class 6: U. Mitchell.

Miss Hall's Prize for Drawing.—J. Maycock.

Messrs. Der A. Wing's Prize for Drawing.—R. Woolley.

Mrs. Nightingale's Prizes for Writing.—U. Mitchell, E. Lammert.

Mr. R. D. W. Sheepshanks' Extra Prize for Composition.—G. MacNider, L. A. Easterbrook.

Mr. H. B. Mould's Prizes for Carpentry.—F. Hartley, D. Davidson.

## CHINESE NEW YEAR.

### GAY SCENES AT HONGKONG HOTEL.

As is usual, things were bright and gay at the Hongkong Hotel last night, the occasion, of course being the Chinese New Year Carnival. The previous year's carnival, brilliant as it was, was surpassed.

Last year the guests numbered 500, but this year the Hotel catered for about 650, and an overflow gathering took place at the Repulse Bay Hotel. Altogether the Company catered for about 800 people.

Typically Chinese was the scheme of decoration in the grill room, the ceiling lights being covered with monster Chinese and Japanese lanterns, and the walls and verandah were gaily decorated with bunting and flags. Loops of coloured lights lent a pleasing effect to the setting, and the tables, too, were decorated.

Some strikingly charming costumes were worn by many of the ladies present. Paper caps, toy balloons and the other paraphernalia of carnival were at the disposal of the guests, who spent a thoroughly enjoyable time.

The management and staff of the Hotel had done their utmost to ensure the success of the carnival and great credit was reflected on Mr. W. H. Perry, the genial manager.

The dancing floor was in good condition, and the Hongkong Hotel's own Orchestra provided a thoroughly delightful programme of music.

There were some large private parties present.

At midnight a huge string of crackers was set alight to bring good "Joss" to the Hotel in the New Year.

## PEKING NOTES.

### THE CAPITAL DAY BY DAY.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

PEKING, January 7th.

Fear and hope continue to alternate in Peking. At the beginning of the week certain happenings or reported happenings led to something like a panic among the timid ones close to certain news sources, but to-day that panic seems to have been allayed as there is no procession of richas laden with treasures proceeding to the Legation Quarter for security. Though still at the Western Hills, Feng Yu Hsiang is nevertheless the cynosure of all eyes. On Sunday he had a conference at his residence with his commanders and naturally the public would like to know what it was all about. In the absence of definite information there are all kinds of conjectures. I will not refer to these, but will endeavour to group co-related reports in order to visualise the situation as it is seen here.

On Sunday it was reported that Chang Tso Lin had suddenly departed from Tientsin for Mukden. Investigation proved that the report was untrue. Undoubtedly he has made preparations which suggest an early departure from Tientsin, but whether such is his intention no one knows. Such preparations may be designed to create a desired impression. One thing seems to be apparent, and that is that Feng Yu Hsiang has changed his mind in respect of his planned visit abroad. His resignation as inspector general has at length been accepted, but that does not mean that he has stripped himself of power. His position has been strengthened by having been appointed Director General of the North-West Frontier, a post to which he had been appointed by the Tsao Kun administration but did not take up. Rather curiously, the Mahommendan General Ma Fu Hsiang, who has been looked upon as an opponent of our Christian friend, has been appointed co-director, and it will be interesting to see how this arrangement will work out. The other mandated appointments are extremely interesting. General Li Ming Chun, one of Feng's men, succeeds General Ma as Tutung of Suiyuan, while General Sung Chi Yuan is appointed acting commandant of Feng's favourite 11th Division. The understanding among Chinese is that these transfers have been made in order to test those concerned. If they are acted upon according to the wishes of the Chief Executive then it may be presumed that an important development in the plans of the Provisional Government has been attained.

While the Christian General and his troops are being consigned to the North-West frontier with the object of restoring Outer Mongolia—whether they move at all is a different matter—General Sun Yueh, a partner with Feng in the *coup d'état* of October 23rd, having discovered that he is not wanted in Honan and that his presence at Paotingfu is objected to by the Tuli of Chihli, has quietly returned to Peking, accompanied, it is said, by two brigades. In these days troop movements are viewed with suspicion, and the return of these soldiers to the capital is not regarded as a good sign. On top of this comes the intelligence that Fengtien troops are moving along the Lunghai Railway, and naturally General Hu Chung Yi, the respectable bandit in charge of Honan, has telegraphed the Government asking for an explanation. Swift upon the heels of this message we have another to the effect that General Sun Yueh's troops have been moved to Machang and that four brigades of General Yu Hsiang's troops have been despatched to Chang Hsin Tien on the Peking-Hankow line. Whether this means an immediate outbreak of hostilities or not cannot be said at the moment, but at the back of most minds in Peking is the thought that the rival parties are simply marking time and preparing for another trial of arms in the Spring.

This account of the situation would be incomplete without some reference to Dr. Sun Yat Sen. His illness is serious, though not grave. Nevertheless, it is a severe blow to his party, who have failed to capitalise his presence in Peking to the extent anticipated, and to that extent Bolshevism may be said to have suffered a set back.

Marshal Tuan Chi Jui has convened the re-organisation Conference to be held in Peking before February 1st. He has addressed telegrams in almost identic terms to the leaders of the movement which overthrew the Tsao Kun administration, to provincial civil and military authorities, to Sun Yat Sen and Li Yuan Hung (former Presidents) and to prominent citizens throughout the country. So far as I can gather, few Chinese are optimistic regarding the outcome of this Conference. However, the Provisional Government has made a good impression by its announcement that the Linching indemnities will be paid in a day or two and by the speedy restitution made to the victims of the "hold-up" on the railway near Tientsin last week.

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Hongkong, 23rd January, 1925. [1768

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Thursday, the 29th January, 1925, at Noon will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 31st January, 1925, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged Packages will be examined on Thursday, the 29th instant, at 10.00 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSER,
Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1925. [1773

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1925. [1766

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For the HONGKONG REALTY & TRUST CO., LTD.,
F. C. BARRY,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1925. [1753

### PUBLIC DINNER TO H.E. MAJ. GENERAL SIR JOHN FOWLER, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.

IT is proposed that A DINNER should be given by the Community in honour of H.E. MAJOR GENERAL SIR JOHN FOWLER who is shortly leaving the Colony.

Gentlemen wishing to be present should Notify on or before 31ST JANUARY, their intention to Colonel ROBERTSON, Hongkong Club, who will supply all particulars.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1925. [1755

### LLOYD TRIESTINO S.N. CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "NUMIDIA."

FROM TRIESTE, VENICE, BRINDISI, PORT SAID, MASSAUA, ADEN, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless Notice to the contrary be given before 20th January, 1925.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th inst. will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 5th prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th inst., at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1925. [1754

### S.S. "CHANTILLY."

COMPAGINE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from MARSEILLES, &c., in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless Intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON, TO-DAY, 21st inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Wednesday, the 23th instant, at Noon, will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Friday, the 30th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All damaged Packages will be examined on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 10.00 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSER,
Agent.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1925. [1761

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## INTIMATIONS

### UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. DODWELL & Co., LTD., on FRIDAY, the 30TH JANUARY, 1925, at 11 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1924.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23RD to 30TH JANUARY, 1925, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.

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### THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4A, DES VOEUX ROAD, on THURSDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY, 1925, at 12 o'CLOCK NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, 5th February, to THURSDAY, 19th February, 1925, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1925. [1724

### CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

LOST.

APPLICATION has been made to the General Managers of this Company to issue to MR. R. DESAI of Hongkong, Thirteen Duplicate Certificates for One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-three Shares in this Company, numbered 132136/132285 and 99271/99320-200 Old Shares, 129719/129722, 143349/143364 1884/1888, 8627/8651 and 23047/23096-100 Old Shares, 95621/95720 100 Old Shares, 92521/92620-100 Old Shares, 192797/192883-87 Bonus Shares, 499034/499133-100 New Shares, 457323/457396-76 New Shares, 206463/206562-100 New Shares, 206563/206662-100 New Shares, 308874/309373-500 New Shares, 365311/365410-100 New Shares, 365411/365510-100 New Shares, 365511/365610-100 New Shares the Certificates Nos. 8485, 8801, 8602, 8603, 11196, 10260, 10089 11160, 11161, 11255, 11555, 11556 and 11557 dated 15th January, 1924, 21st January, 1924, 6th August 1924, 18th March, 1924 29th July, 1924, 7th August, 1924, and 17th November, 1924, have been Lost or Mislaid; and Notice is hereby given that if within Thirty Days from the Date hereof No Claim or Representation in respect of such Original Certificates are made to the General Managers, they will then proceed to deal with such application.

For CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

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Hongkong, 19th January, 1925. [1746

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And let my liver rather heat with wine,
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Sit like his grandsire cut in alabaster?
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By being peevish?

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### MARRIAGES.

LARTER—ROSE.—At Shanghai, on January 17th, MARY HOWARTH ROSE, of Liverpool, to WILFRID JOHN LARTER.

LUPTON—BRANTINGHAM.—At Shanghai, on January 17th, THOMAS ARTHUR LUPTON, to DORIS BRANTINGHAM, of Sunderland.

Hongkong Office: 14, Chater Road.
London Office: 121, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 24TH, 1925.

## CHINA NEW YEAR.

WHEN China became a republic a little more than thirteen years ago, the first Republican Government decreed the adoption of the Western calendar. It was one of those little acts that were intended to emphasise the sweeping changes to be inaugurated by China's new rulers; one of those things which would impress the people with the fact that an entirely new chapter had been begun in the life of the nation. Henceforth the years were to date from January 1st, 1912, as being "the first day of the first year of the Republic." But if the authors of this decree ever expected that the customs of an intensely conservative mass of the people would *instantly* be changed by official order, they have been grievously disappointed. The new calendar is observed, to a limited extent, only in the public departments of China. Officials observe it as a public holiday, but they do not neglect to observe the lunar new year in the same way. They may profess to keep their public accounts by "the year of the Republic," instead of by the moons of the lunar calendar, but even the Central Government, year after year, has shown the greatest distress as the new lunar year approaches, over the "eternal lack of public pence" always so urgently needed "to tide over the China New Year settlement." It is an age-old custom in China to square up accounts at China New Year, and the Government is no more able to escape it than the private individual. Thirteen years of so-called republican government in China have made no breach in the observance of the time-honoured festivals of the lunar calendar. The chief result of the adoption of the Western calendar has been to give the country two New Year holidays in place of the one they had under the Monarchy. For the officials in the public departments at all events "the first day of the year of the Republic" is a national holiday, though it is not widely observed by the mass of the people except perhaps in the Treaty ports where the Chinese are in close contact with the foreign communities which observe January 1st as the beginning of a New Year. For the great mass of the people of China the beginning of the lunar year is the occasion not for one day's holiday, but for several days. Even in Canton, frequently called "the real birthplace of the republic" the Chinese newspapers excite our envy by making the China New Year festival the occasion for a ten days' holiday; and yesterday we published an interesting cable reporting that the Festival has been made the excuse for a week's truce in the fighting in the province of Kiangsu! All this simply illustrates the strength of the attachment to the old observances in China. For the mass of the people the new year in China begins with "the first day of the first moon," and the present indications are that it will long continue to be so regarded. *Kung hi fat choy!* is the universal salutation in China to-day. We sincerely trust that the new year will bring all the "good luck" that is wished to-day—for the State as well as for the individual. The thirteenth year of the Republic does not go down into history as a "lucky" year for China. We hope the fourteenth year may be an improvement on its predecessor. Though this is a day when politics are not likely to intrude much into the thoughts of the people, those who find time to reflect on the possibilities of the immediate future will not escape the conviction that the foundation of "good fortune" for most people in China is good government, which as YUAN SHI KAI said, in a famous declaration to the nation, consists in the establishment and maintenance of public order, and in the clear definition and promulgation of legal systems, so that externally there shall be good and friendly relationships, and internally peace between the weak and the strong." We trust a greater approach to these conditions may be made in China in the year that has now begun, for alike for the individual and the mass it would prove a happy interpretation of the sentiment embodied in the greeting, *Kung hi fat choi.*

Owing to the China New Year holiday the next issue of the *Hongkong Daily Press* will be on Tuesday, January 27th.

Two further cases of typhoid (Chinese) were notified to the Medical Officer of Health on the 22nd inst.

Knocked down by a motor-car on the Praya East on Thursday, a Chinese died on his way to the Government Civil Hospital.

Among the departures by the *Empress of Canada* yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. G. May and family who are going home on holiday; Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Webb, and Mr. E. Zeitlyn.

Six armed robbers entered the premises of a bag-making firm near Queen's Road West on Thursday night, and got away with $4,000, after binding and gagging the owner and his employees.

The children of the Primary Department of St. Andrew's Church Sunday School are invited to a Party being given to-day, Saturday, from 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. in the Church Hall, Nathan Road.—ADVT.

Boarding a sampan near the Mongkok Ferry Wharf on Thursday night, three armed men informed the occupants that they were detectives. When they had gone, taking with them $141, the boat people realized that they were robbers.

The police have received a report that during Wednesday night a thief stole a wallet containing $500, and a decanter containing whisky, from the cabin of the Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron (Vice-Admiral Sir Allan Everett) on board H.M.S. *Hawkins*.

The man who, as reported in the *Daily Press* yesterday, was remanded on Thursday on a charge of obtaining $10 by posing as an official of the Sanitary Department, was yesterday sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy.

To-morrow special sermons are to be preached in St. John's Cathedral and the Union Church in connection with the medical conference. The Rev. H. Copley Moyle will preach in the Cathedral at the morning service and the Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie will preach at the evening service.

Mr. Evans, Secretary of the Commercial Department under Mr. Hoover, is expected in China from Washington next month for the purpose of investigating commercial and economic conditions in China. The authorities of the various provinces have been instructed by the Government to give him every assistance.

Mr. William G. Jackson, who drove the first train on the Shanghai-Woosung railway that was ever run in China, died on December 10th at Reydon, Southwold, aged 75. Until a few years ago he was engineer of the Southwold Railway. The Chinese authorities, which in this case was the Viceroy of Nanking, resented the introduction of the railroad. It was purchased, and after being run for a year the line was taken up and with the equipment was transported to Formosa.

## FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

### 200 HEADS OF CHRISTIAN FAMILIES BEHEADED.

FOR REFUSING TO GROW OPIUM.

SHANGHAI, January 23rd.

A "prominent missionary informs Reuter that the military leaders of Fukien are compelling farmers to raise opium.

Fifteen hundred Christian families refused and in consequence 200 heads of families were beheaded.

Some farmers also were killed for begging that a small part of their land might be used to grow vegetables for their families.

### A JARDINE SHIP FIRED ON.

STOPPED AND SEARCHED.

SHANGHAI, January 23rd.

Jardine's *Loongwo*, with foreign and Chinese passengers aboard, was fired on stopped and searched by Chi Hsieh Yuan's troops just as the ship was rounding the point at Woosung yesterday afternoon.

A shot passed about twenty feet in front of the bow of the vessel. The captain stopped the ship and immediately a force of Chi's troops boarded and thoroughly searched the ship, which delayed her three hours.

The soldiers stated that they thought the ship was one which had been commandeered by Lu Yung Hsiang several days ago for troop transport movements.

### NEW YEAR TRUCE.

SEVEN DAYS CESSATION OF FIGHTING.

SHANGHAI, January 23rd.

The Chinese papers to-day announce that a seven days' truce over the New Year has been declared between Marshal Lu Yung Hsiang and Marshal Chi Hsieh Yuan.

### CHINA'S SALT REVENUE.

DECREASE IN LAST YEAR'S RETURNS.

PEKING, January 23rd.

The net salt revenue for 1924, after meeting administrative expenses, amounted to $79,544,000, a decrease of $9,001,000 as compared with the revenue in 1923.

All obligations secured under the salt revenue, amounting to $20,777,000 were fully met, and the surplus released to the Chinese Government during 1924 amounted to $64,700,000. (including $12,666,000 received from the Maritime Customs on account of the refund for the year.) Of this amount about $33,466,000 represents sums either retained locally or appropriated by the provincial authorities or military commanders, but *does not* include the full amount of revenue retained by the Kwangtung local authorities.

The reserve in the group banks was maintained during the year at $7,000,000.

### JAPAN'S BUDGET.

CURTAILMENT OF NEARLY FIFTY MILLION YEN IN 1924.

TOKYO, January 23rd.

Mr. Yuno Hamaguchi, the Minister of Finance, in his Budget speech in the Diet, announced the curtailment of all 46,000,000 yen in the 1924 Estimates, whilst the 1925 figures show a reduction of 91,000,000 yen on the revised Estimates of 1924.

The new Budget will total 1,524,000,000 yen.

He stated that the excess of imports in 1924 amounted to 646,000,000 yen and since 1919 2,783,000,000 yen.

# CABLES.

*LATEST CABLES.*

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

## TEST MATCH.

### VICTORY YESTERDAY GIVES RUBBER TO AUSTRALIA.

"WOMEN SCREAM AND MEN GASP."

ADELAIDE, January 23rd.

The Australians won the rubber to-day when they disposed of England for 363, gaining the victory in the third match by eleven runs.

There was the greatest excitement in the town, this morning, when the game was resumed in fine weather and with the wicket in good condition. The public were admitted free, 10,000 taking advantage to be present.

The English batsmen (Gilligan and Freeman) were cheered as they walked to the wickets.

The first ball, from Gregory, went for four byes to the boundary, amid howls of disappointment.

Freeman nearly played on from the fourth ball he received.

Gilligan's downfall was hailed uproariously. He had been batting one hour and 31 minutes and had obtained 4 fours. His was a worthy innings.

Women screamed and men gasped when Freeman skied a ball over Ryder's head, and escaped being caught.

There was a remarkable demonstration at the close. The players had to force their way through an admiring mob, many of whom remained on the ground, long after the finish, discussing the match.

The teams had luncheon with Lord Forster, Governor-General of the Commonwealth. He congratulated the players of both teams on a fine fight fought in the true cricket spirit throughout. The match, he said, had restored England to her position in the world of cricket.

Gilligan, interviewed after the match, said he did not complain of the luck. He was glad the English team had made a decent fight. Australia's sound batting coupled with Mailey's and Gregory's bowling, had contributed to England's defeat.

Collins said it was probably the finest game seen in Australia for many years.

The aggregate attendance was 115,940 and the receipts £10,734.

Scores:—

AUSTRALIA.

1st Innings.

| | |
|---|---|
| H. L. Collins, b Tate | 3 |
| A. Richardson, b Kilner | 69 |
| J. M. Gregory, b Freeman | 6 |
| J. M. Taylor, l.b.w., b. Tate | 0 |
| M. Ponsford, c Strudwick, b Gilligan | 31 |
| V. Richardson, c Whysall, b Kilner | 4 |
| J. S. Ryder, not out | 201 |
| T. J. E. Andrews, b Kilner | 72 |
| C. Kelleway, c Strudwick, b Woolley | 16 |
| W. A. Oldfield, l.b.w., b Kilner | 47 |
| A. Mailey, st. Strudwick, b Hendred | 27 |
| Extras | 13 |
| Total | 489 |

FALL OF WICKETS.

1/10, 2/19, 3/22, 4/114, 5/118, 6/119, 7/253, 8/308, 9/416, 10/489.

Bowling Analysis.

| | R. | W. |
|---|---|---|
| Tate | 43 | 2 |
| Gilligan | 17 | 1 |
| Freeman | 107 | 1 |
| Woolley | 135 | 1 |
| Kilner | 127 | 4 |
| Hobbs | 11 | 0 |
| Whysall | 9 | 0 |
| Hendren | 27 | 1 |

ENGLAND.

1st Innings.

| | |
|---|---|
| W. W. Whysall, b Gregory | 9 |
| M. W. Tate, c Andrews, b Mailey | 27 |
| H. Strudwick, c Gregory, b Kelleway | 1 |
| A. P. F. Chapman, b Gregory | 26 |
| J. B. Hobbs, c Gregory, b Mailey | 119 |
| H. Sutcliffe, c Oldfield, b Ryder | 33 |
| F. E. Woolley, c Andrews, b Mailey | 16 |
| E. Hendren, c Taylor, b Gregory | 92 |
| R. Kilner, l.b.w., b A. Richardson | 6 |
| A. E. R. Gilligan, c Collins, b A. Richardson | 9 |
| A. P. Freeman, not out | 6 |
| Extras | 21 |
| Total | 365 |

Bowling Analysis.

| | R. | W. |
|---|---|---|
| Gregory | 111 | 3 |
| Kelloway | 24 | 1 |
| Mailey | 133 | 3 |
| A. Richardson | 42 | 2 |
| Ryder | 15 | 1 |
| Collins | 19 | 0 |

FALL OF WICKETS.

1/9, 2/12, 3/67, 4/68, 5/159, 6/180, 7/297, 8/316, 9/328, 10/365.

AUSTRALIA.

2nd innings.

| | |
|---|---|
| H. L. Collins, b Freeman | 26 |
| A. Richardson, c Kilner, b Woolley | 14 |
| J. S. Ryder, c and b Woolley | 88 |
| J. M. Taylor, b Freeman | 34 |
| M. Ponsford, c Hendren, b Kilner | 43 |
| T. J. E. Andrews, c Whysall, b Kilner | 1 |
| V. Richardson, c Tate, b Woolley | 2 |
| C. Kelleway, not out | 22 |
| W. A. Oldfield, b Kilner | 4 |
| A. Mailey, c Sutcliffe, b Kilner | 5 |
| Extras | 11 |
| Total | 250 |

Bowling Analysis.

| | R. | W. |
|---|---|---|
| Tate | 17 | 0 |
| Freeman | 94 | 2 |
| Kilner | 51 | 4 |
| Woolley | 77 | 4 |

(*Continued on next Column*).

*EARLIER CABLES.*

## CURRENCY PROBLEMS.

### BRITAIN'S RETURN TO THE GOLD STANDARD.

RELIEF FOR INDIAN STRINGENCY.

LONDON, January 22nd.

Messrs. Montagu's annual bullion letter says that when the cost of living, labour, and raw material on the Continent becomes adjusted to the depreciated exchanges and relations between employers and employed in Britain have improved, the return of the United Kingdom to an effective gold standard will be much simplified. Several European countries, for instance Switzerland and Holland, are now considering a return to the gold parity, nor must the anxiety of South Africa to make its gold standard effective be overlooked.

The letter dwells on the absorption of gold by India which is in strong contrast to the present small acquisition by Europe. The problem of the anomalous position of the Indian currency is hardly soluble until the United Kingdom is again working freely on the gold standard. Meanwhile the more gold India takes, the longer is the return of the United Kingdom to an effective gold standard deferred.

### SOLVING INDIA'S PROBLEM.

DELHI, January 22nd.

In the Legislative Assembly, Sir Basil Blackett, introducing the currency amendment bill with a view to providing a hundred crores to prevent excessive monetary stringency, said some critics wanted stabilisation but it was still risky to tie the rupee either to gold or to sterling and thereby subject India to a severe rise of internal prices involving new demands for increased salaries and wages. Moreover, India being a great importer of gold, they were not able to know what would be the effect of cheapening gold in terms of silver. No ratio was sacrosanct. They must find one which was attainable and could be maintained. The time had not yet arrived to constitute a currency committee. His bill was in the nature of interim legislation to avoid possible risks, but the position of the Indian currency was satisfactory and would remain so even if the proposed maximum of a hundred crores was reached.

The debate was adjourned.

## SAVING ST. PAUL'S.

### CITY OF LONDON COUNCIL VOTES 5,000 GUINEAS.

LONDON, January 22nd.

The court of the Common Council of the City of London to-day voted 5,000 guineas for the St. Paul's Cathedral Restoration Fund.

The 5,000 guineas voted by the City Council to the St. Paul's Cathedral preservation fund is in addition to the £4,000 already contributed. The chief commoner, proposing the resolution in this connection, said it was incumbent on the Corporation to give a lead to the movement to restore a monument dear not merely to Londoners but to the Empire and the world, as an incentive to people throughout the Empire.

A special committee was appointed to confer with everyone concerned, including the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's.

Councillor Pakeman said that drastic measures must be taken, even to the extent of closing the edifice for a considerable period. He hoped the committee would approach the Government besides the Cathedral authorities.

It is noteworthy that the public has already subscribed £144,000 to the St. Paul's Cathedral preservation fund through the columns of *The Times*.

## THE GERMAN CABINET.

### VOTE OF CONFIDENCE PASSED IN GOVERNMENT.

BERLIN, January 22nd.

The Reichstag has passed a vote of confidence in the Government by 246 to 160 votes.

The Democrats abstained from voting and the left wing of the Centrists voted against the motion.

Fall of Wickets.

1/36, 2/63, 3/126, 4/215, 5/216, 6/217, 7/127, 8/220, 9/242, 10/250.

ENGLAND.

2nd Innings.

| | |
|---|---|
| J. B. Hobbs, c Collins, b A. Richardson | 27 |
| H. Sutcliffe, c Ponsford, b Mailey | 50 |
| F. E. Woolley, b Kelleway | 21 |
| E. Hendren, l.b.w., b Kelleway | 4 |
| W. W. Whysall, b Gregory | 75 |
| A. P. F. Chapman, c Ryder, b Kelleway | 58 |
| R. Kilner, c V. Richardson, b A. Richardson | 24 |
| M. W. Tate, b Mailey | 21 |
| A. E. R. Gilligan, c V. Richardson, b Gregory | 31 |
| A. P. Freeman, c Oldfield, b Mailey | 24 |
| H. Strudwick, not out | 2 |
| Extras | 17 |
| Total | 363 |

Fall of Wickets.

1/63, 2/92, 3/96, 4/155, 5/244, 6/254, 7/279, 8/312, 9/357, 10/363.

Bowling Analysis.

| | R. | W. |
|---|---|---|
| Gregory | 71 | 2 |
| Collins | 19 | 0 |
| Kelleway | 57 | 3 |
| A. Richardson | 62 | 2 |
| Mailey | 126 | 3 |
| Ryder | 11 | 0 |

*EARLIER CABLES.*

## BRIAND KILLS DOUBTS.

### FORMER FRENCH PREMIER FAVOURS GOVERNMENT POLICY.

PARIS, January 22nd.

Before a packed Chamber eager to hear his first tribune speech since his fall, the ex-Premier, M. Briand, killed doubts as to his attitude toward the Government by expressing his entire approval of its foreign policy except as regards the Vatican. He declared that it was France's interest to be officially represented at the Vatican as at Moscow and Geneva—the seats of the three great internationals.

He urged M. Herriot to subordinate Party considerations to national interests, although it meant a breach of the election pledge given by the Left Parties.

## JOHNNIE DUNDEE.

### SUDDEN DEPARTURE ON EVE OF FIGHT.

PARIS, January 22nd.

Notwithstanding the arrangements made for his fight with Bretonnel on January 21st, for which thousands of tickets had been sold, Johnny Dundee sailed for New York on January 17th, wirelessing en route that his hasty departure was due to his wife's illness.

The French Boxing Federation has decided that Dundee and his manager, Johnson, be permanently barred from engaging in fights in France. The Federation has appealed to all countries affiliated with the Boxing Union to impose a similar penalty.

## INDIAN STUDENTS.

### LORD RAWLINSON FAVOURS BAR BEING REMOVED.

DELHI, January 22nd.

General Lord Rawlinson (Commander-in-Chief) accepted an Indian motion urging the British Government to remove the bar against the admission of Indian students to the University Officers' Training Corps according to the recommendations of the Lytton Committee, which were recently accepted by the Imperial Government.

## LOCAL OPTION.

### THE DUTCH REJECT INTRODUCTION OF BILL.

THE HAGUE, January 22nd.

The first Chamber has again rejected the Bill introducing local option regarding alcoholic liquors.

## RESIGNS FROM LEAGUE.

BERNE, January 22nd.

The report is confirmed that Costa Rica has resigned from the League of Nations.

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## IRISH FREE STATE.

### NO AMERICAN MINISTER TO BE APPOINTED.

WASHINGTON, January 22nd.

The House of Representatives has rejected Mr. Boyland's Bill empowering the President to appoint a Minister to the Irish Free State.

## ECLIPSE OF THE SUN.

### AMERICAN BROKERS GIVEN CHANCE TO WATCH IT.

NEW YORK, January 22nd.

The Stock Exchange has taken the unprecedented course of deferring the opening on January 24th, by forty-five minutes, so as to enable the members and employees to witness the eclipse of the sun.

## MURDER IN GUATEMALA.

### ENGLISH FRUIT INSPECTOR KILLED BY ROBBERS.

BOSTON, January 22nd.

An Englishman named Wiggins, an inspector in the United Fruit Company, has been murdered in Guatemala by robbers, who decamped with $2,000.

## LOCAL SPORT.

### HOCKEY.

SIM SHIELD COMPETITION.

On Wednesday the 28th January at 5 p.m. at the U.S.R.C. the Club will meet the Navy in the first round for the Sim Shield. This Shield has been presented by Mr. E. L. Sim for competition between the Navy, Army and Club, two Matches to be played between each, and the winning team to have their name engraved on the Shield. The Shield cannot be won outright, but when it is full up with the names of the winning teams, it automatically becomes the property of the side which has won most times. A tie for first place must be re-played. This is the first year in which the Shield is being competed for. The Club team on Wednesday will be:—P. W. F. Mills, A. A. Dand, H. Owen Hughes, A. S. Hett, E. J. R. Mitchell (capt), L. P. Ralph, G. R. More, W. J. Woodward, D. C. Jones, E. L. Sim, B. D. Evans.

GAME ON MONDAY.

The following will represent the Club Nondescripts against the Naval Nomads at the Marina at 4 p.m. on Monday, 28th January. The Nondescripts will play in colours:—P. W. F. Mills, C. F. Manolo Hughes, J. Wedlake, W. H. Lock, E. J. R. Mitchell (capt), L. P. Ralph, Capt. R. M. Newton King, H. G. Gardner, Capt. E. A. Hayes Newington, H. R. Meacock and H. J. Armstrong.

## "BURNS NICHT."

### HONGKONG SCOTS IN FESTIVE MOOD.

The annual "Burns Nicht," held under the auspices of the Hongkong St. Andrew's Society, took place at the Hongkong Hotel last night, with the Chieftain (Mr. James Reid) in the chair.

Among those who had arranged to attend were:—

Messrs. A. J. Allison, H. E. O. Adams, W. Beveridge, W. F. Bradshaw, W. Baxter, J. W. C. Bonnar, Dr. J. D. R. Black, J. Bulloch, A. W. S. Cousland, W. J. Clerk, M. Campbell, J. Dickson, W. D. Deans, R. M. Dyer, N. Drummond, G. M. Dalgety, W. A. D. Douglas, A. H. Ferguson, J. Fleming, P. T. Farrell, H. Forsyth, J. Finnis, K. E. Greig, A. Gourlay, D. Gow, W. Galloway, B. Hunter, A. K. Henderson, L. Hyde, Stewart Hope, E. L. Hosie, W. Ironside, D. Keith, W. Lang, D. C. Logan, W. G. Lawson, A. S. Mackichan, Dr. J. Morrison, B. L. Moncrieff, G. MacIntosh, J. B. Milne, K. McNaughton, C. D. Melbourne, G. Murray, D. L. McWhirter, R. McGregor, A. S. Mill, R. McEwen, Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie, D. McMurray, K. S. Morrison, W. Nicolson, J. S. B. Nicoll, J. Oliphant, J. W. Paton, A. Ritchie, P. W. Ramsay, W. Reid, J. M. Ramsay, Col. T. A. Robertson, J. Reid (chieftain), J. B. Ross, J. Rankin, H. H. Scott, G. M. Shaw, A. B. Scott, Commodore A. G. B. Stirling, A. Stevenson, J. B. Smith, Dr. Strahan, J. Shand, A. M. Simpson, F. G. Walker, P. D. Wilson, B. Wylie, A. Webster, J. Walker, and G. M. Young.

Besides the traditional Haggis, the menu provided, *inter alia*, "Caller Salmon"—(an' a thimmlefu'), which was followed by delicacies bearing the formidable description of "Ronstit Hoggie, wi' tauties biled an' champit; Bashed neeps an' ither orra greens. An' anither wee snifter."

After the loyal toast of The King, proposed by the Chieftain, "The Immortal Memory of Robert Burns" was proposed by Mr. B. Wylie, who said:

Mr. B. WYLIE, in proposing the toast of the evening, said:—Chieftain and Gentlemen,—At the outset I have to thank you for this opportunity of being counted among those who from year to year in this place have been privileged to propose the toast to "The Immortal Memory" of our National Bard.

Your choice, however, is, I think, a somewhat unfortunate one inasmuch as I am perhaps the last person in Hongkong who might be trusted to deal adequately with a poet and with poetry. Speaking by and large, I have no illusions about poetry. It would be unfair, however, for me to say in this regard, that the poets have only themselves to blame. No, I won't go so far as that. But I will confess when it comes to wrestling with some of the exponents of airy subtleties and almost unintelligible diction, I am moved to vote poetry a boredom, a nuisance and an affliction.

Again, in fairness to the poet, it must be admitted that modern conditions are altogether against the proper appreciation of poetry. Now-a-days we live in a state of almost continuous excitement. Impressions crowd in upon the mind so fast that there is little time for calm reflection or the development of the higher self. There are so many things to be done, so many recreations and amusements exacting their toll on our nervous strength that, when we do find ourselves with a few moments of peace and quietude, the overworked mind in self-defence becomes a kind of vacuum where none but the most inconsequential thoughts are tolerated.

But if a person, in addition, does not *like* poetry, does not gravitate towards it, that is the end of poetry so far as he is concerned.

Gentlemen, I am afraid I belong to the latter category; but although I confess I do not perhaps properly appreciate the great thoughts and emotions contained in the output of most poets, yet I can understand and appreciate Burns. And so can you. So can all of us.

There, to my mind, lies his greatness. We like Burns because his was the common message of a common man to common people. The power and charm of his poetry lies in its qualities of sensibility, simplicity, freedom and reality. He was the poet, not of the high falluting, but of commonplace truth.

We like him and understand him because he had that classic directness of vision. All through, he is clear, right and sane. In his verse, there are no loose ends, no indefinite colour. Absolutely sincere in matter and form, with Burns there is never a suspicion of *false* sentiment, never a word too much and no one I know could tell so much and say so little. He wrote of what he saw, how he felt; and that is how we can feel with him. That, gentlemen, in a nutshell, is why we like Burns and understand him so well.

That is how a man coming out of a lonely wayside cottage, enjoying next to no education, with no fortune, next to no influence and speaking a provincial dialect, has compelled all mankind to listen.

That is why in every part of the world wherever Scottish folk are gathered together and the Scottish tongue known, wherever Scottish hearts beat with human feeling and patriotic emotion, his works are counted a great treasure, his fame a great heritage and his genius a great impulse, shedding gladness on the humble home, cheering the social board, inspiring the dream of youthful ambition and reviving the courage of faltering hope.

We like Burns and appreciate his poetry because of his rugged honesty and sturdy independence. He was the Poet Laureate of the under dog. Burns told Scotland, and Scotland has passed the word along, that there is always room at the top of the ladder for those who are born at the bottom; that the road to success is no private thoroughfare but a free highway, even from gutter and garret, open for all who care to pass along. Even those who do not get so far on the journey, with Burns as their guide, they dare be poor for a' that. This wonderful song, "A Man's a Man for a' that," containing as it does a prophecy of the unity of the race and a plea for the solidarity of our common humanity, is founded on thoroughly Scottish sentiment of the value of man as man, of the dignity of labour, whether physical or mental, as compared with the tinsel shows of privileged indolence."

We like him for his scorn for the empty "birkie ca'ed a lord" and for all king-made dignities unbacked by merit. Even the most untutored can appreciate that these lines contain the embodiment of practical Christianity and all that is worth while in modern Socialism.

We like Burns for his expressions of kindliness and sympathy concerning man, bird and beast. In winter storm when "poor Labour sweet in sleep was locked," we find him lamenting over the wee, helpless birds and the silly sheep. In his addresses to the Mouse and the Daisy and his tributes to his auld mare Maggie and pet yowe Mailie, every line a caress. The world is incomparably richer for poetry like that.

We also read with keen joy when he flays the hypocrites, cranks killjoys and religious humbugs. Burns' influence on religion was noteworthy in that, although he wrote "The Cottar's Saturday Night," perhaps our most outstanding picture of home religious life, yet he was also the slayer of the crude Calvinism of his time. His humourous and almost sympathetic "Address to the Deil" robbed that form of religion, once for all, of many of its horrors, and it is agreed that his scathing exposure of cant and pharisaical self-conceit in spiritual matters was badly needed.

We really like Burns. "We like the ranting joyousness of him. For all the grimness of his life, for all the mournful passion which broke out even in his most striking verse, the result was not sadness. Behind it was the joy of the artist, the joy of the man who was determined to make the world realise that beauty and delight could be found in life if it were squarely faced. His love songs may be tragic or humourous; but they, unlike the soul-racking efforts of so many other poets, have always that saving grace of naturalness. Many of the love songs of Burns give us intimate glimpses of the poet's own life. Through them we see him at seed-time and harvest, at sunrise and sunset and employed on the common round of every-day, workaday life. He does not take us into ethereal regions and with tortuous diction wring our heartstrings in an attempt to urge us after imagination's fanciful flights. No, he wrote much nearer the soil, much more comprehensive and true. That, gentlemen, is what stamps Burns as a master in the affairs of the heart. There is little poetry which has ever left hall-mark on texture so nearly commonplace. It is this fact which makes him the one great poet in our language; it is this fact which makes him a genuinely popular poet, one readily beloved by the unlettered no less than by the learned, and by numbers of people like myself, for whom Burns is the only exception to the rule that if they like verse at all, they like bad verse.

The appreciation of poetry is not a thing made to order, and most people do not like poetry. But, I repeat, most Scotsmen like Burns. Nay more, they are jealous of the fame and reputation of their National Bard. He stirs the heart of every one of us and his works have undoubtedly had an enduring influence on our national life and character for he has, above all things, bequeathed to the generations a heritage of truth, courage and comfort.

Burns was a poet of universal significance, but he achieved that significance through his intensely personal character and quality, both of which were specifically Scottish. From one standpoint it might be said that his universality is possible only through his precisely national view—his parochial emphasis. But Scotland's honour is not that she at least raised a poet that only *she* could understand, but that she raised a poet who was Scottish in every beat of his heart, yet commanded the homage, affection and understanding of mankind. His message is one which appeals to the hearts of men quite apart from the considerations of space and time, nationality, class or creed, and the burden of that message is that the greatest things in the world are freedom, manliness and brotherhood. He spoke not for one class, but for all classes and that all classes might be one.

And that is why at this time of year, men meet the wide world over to celebrate the birthday of one who might well be called the world's poet.

Lang, lang may we thegither meet,
In brotherhood ilk other greet,
An' keep the memory green
O' him we ken,
Whose verse still throbs wi' warm heart-beat
Thro' countless men.

Gentlemen, I ask you to rise and drink with me a toast to "The Immortal Memory of Robert Burns."—(Applause.)

The toast of "The Lassies" was proposed by Mr. G. M. Young, and Mr. H. [illegible] Jams replied.

## A RUSSIAN BATTALION AT NANKING.

### WHY THEIR EMPLOYMENT IN THE PRESENT CHINESE CAMPAIGN?

REPORT OF DARK SOVIET PLOT.

A striking report was current in Shanghai yesterday, says the N.-C. *Daily News* of the 20th inst., with reference to the employment of Russian troops in the present campaign in Kiangsu. The battalion, of course, belongs to Chang Tso Lin and was recruited by him from among the "White" Russians who took refuge in his territories after the Reds had secured control of Siberia. It was known a couple of months ago that Marshal Chang had promised assistance to Lu Yung Hsiang to regain his ascendancy in this part of China as soon as the position in Peking was clear, and it is understood that he had offered him 40,000 troops for the campaign. At that time, however, no mention was made of the possibility of sending the Russian battalion, Chang's *corps d'elite*, south, and so it came as a surprise to many to find that it had been railed down to Nanking and was taking a part in forefront of the battle.

There may be nothing more in it than that Chang wishes for a short, decisive campaign for Lu Yung Hsiang, and has accordingly thrown the most formidable of his forces into the battle. Russians here, however, have information which, if correct, puts a different complexion on the use of these troops and indicates the existence of a dark Soviet plot menacing the position of foreign Powers in China. In publishing this report we do not necessarily endorse it; confirmation is practically impossible. But it ought to be made known as it has reached us.

CULTIVATING ANTI-FOREIGNISM.

The presence of Russian troops in Kiangsu is, according to this report, the result of Soviet intrigue. There is no suggestion that any of the Chinese commanders are aware of or have any part in it, but it is suggested that agents of the Soviet have been at work urging them to send these men into the very centre of China. There are two reasons for this, first that the casualties of battle would reduce the number of these "Whites" and so help in removing what might prove to be the nucleus of opposition to the Soviet, and the second is that the presence of foreigners in one of China's armies, fighting against and killing Chinese, is likely to engender anti-foreign sentiments in the other armies if not among the populace. With reference to the first reason given, it is also stated that a Red agent, formerly believed to be on Admiral Koltchak's side though not unequivocally so, has offered to keep up the supply of "White" Russians for this battalion—an arrangement which would assist in both objects.

The Soviet's claim to friendship with China is largely based on opposition to the Powers, whom they represent as preventing China's normal development and so forth. Talk on these lines is too well-known to require recapitulation here, but ought none the less to be remembered at the present juncture. Moreover, the Soviet has made it known to its agents in other countries that the doctrines of Moscow are not likely to flourish in a country at peace, and thus it is quite possible to understand that anti-foreignism in China would suit its book.

## SINGAPORE DOCK PROJECT.

### COST OF IMPROVEMENTS.

The estimate for dockyard improvements at Singapore is made up of the following items, states a Naval correspondent of a home paper:

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| 1. Works common to all departments, viz., wharfs, basins, railways, roads, dredging berth for floating dock, etc. | £5,100,000 |
| 2. Graving dock | 1,000,000 |
| 3. Offices, dwellings, and other buildings | 420,000 |
| 4. Workshops, storehouses, magazines | 1,780,000 |
| 5. Contingencies | 1,200,000 |
| 6. Machinery | 1,000,000 |
| | £10,500,000 |

While most naval men favour the establishment of a large fixed base at Singapore, service opinion is not entirely unanimous on this question. In a paper read before the Institution of Naval Architects last June, jointly written by Captain D. J. Munro, R.N., and a civilian member, an alternative plan was mooted. The authors' idea was that a great deal of money could be saved and equally good results obtained if a floating base were substituted for the permanent works favoured by the Admiralty. They estimated the cost of a floating base to be £1,400,000, expended as follows:—Large floating dock, £500,000; small floating dock, £50,000; floating crane, £200,000; floating workshop, £500,000; mooring lighter, £50,000; launches, etc., £100,000; total, £1,400,000.

"In the light of the facts set forth in this paper," wrote the authors, "should we not ask ourselves if we, as a nation, would be doing the right thing if we were to install at Singapore, or elsewhere, a permanent base on shore, with excavated dry docks, that will take years to complete and cost a large sum of money, the greater portion of which will be spent abroad? Should we not rather provide, at a vastly less cost, the whole of which would be spent on British labour, a floating base, fully equipped, which in the time of war or threat of war could be bodily and readily transferred to whatever port or base the General Staff might deem the best for carrying out the duties?"

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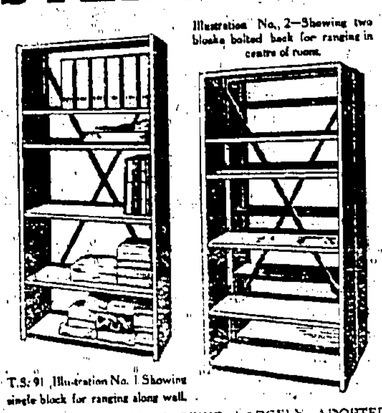

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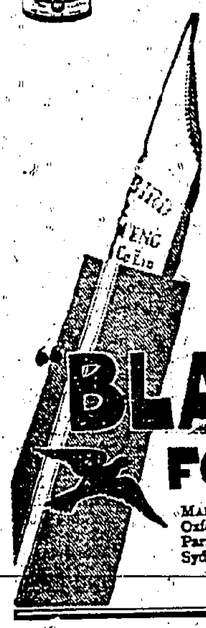

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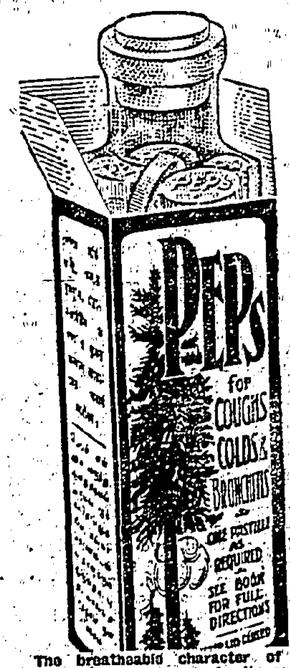


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## LORD LONSDALE AND CROOK.

### REMORSE OF MAN WHO STOLE WATCH.

### £50 FOR NEW START.

Thanks to Lord Lonsdale, whose gold watch he stole 15 years ago, a London crook who has served 17 years in gaol, has now been given an opportunity of going straight.

The incident of the goal watch occurred outside the Gaiety Theatre. As the sporting peer was coming out of the theatre one night two men jostled him and one took his watch, valued at £100. Inside was an inscription, and, smitten with remorse, one of the thieves wrapped the watch up again, put it with its chain into an envelope and returned it through the letter-box to the owner.

After a life of crime this man decided to try to get an honest living, and he told his story to the Rev. S. T. Hooper, a Congregational minister at Wimbledon.

The minister helped him, and when he saw him again the man mentioned the incident of Lord Lonsdale's watch, saying that he had written to the peer asking for his help, and telling him frankly who he was.

To the crook's surprise Lord Lonsdale wrote as follows in reply from Lowther Castle:—

"Thank you very much for your letter and your amusing reference to an incident "outside the Gaiety," when I gather you were anxious to see the time, and thought my watch was probably the more correct time. I am wearing it to-night!

"But now tell me how I can be of any use to you. What class of work could you do? I know one of your confederates was a bookbinder, anyhow he told me so. If I could I would gladly do anything I could to help you to make an honest living that was of use to you.

"You are old enough now to avoid public establishments where the fare is cheap. You say you are old and ugly. I am not aware that either of these facts are your fault. The first is a disease we none of us know a cure for, and the second is one you have to settle with your father and mother. I would gladly do what I could really to help you. Tell me how it can be done.—Yours truly," LONSDALE.

The man replied that he could do barbering, about the only occupation he had learned during his criminal career.

£50 FOR A START.

Lord Lonsdale wrote this time to Mr. Hooper, sending £50, and out of this sum a set of barber's equipment has been purchased for the man, who has already started work in the lodginghouse where he lives.

Meanwhile Lord Lonsdale has sent him a further letter to encourage him in his newly-found career. Lord LONSDALE writes:—

"Thank you for your letter, which I got all right. You have started by doing a very wise thing—putting yourself in the hands of a very fine man, Mr. Hooper. You say he is a parson. I can only say that, like all individuals and horses, some run straight and some do not. Here, in your view, you have one who would run true either in a selling race or the Ascot Gold Cup. So trust him, as I do when sending him something that may set you up in your barber trade. May he buy you good enough razors and scissors to enable you to "cut the past" and start on a "clean shave."

"Start afresh, and in years to come, if I meet you, nobody will be more pleased than, yours very truly, LONSDALE."

P.S.—In this world we never know our friends, as I found out on my exit from the Gaiety. Ha! Ha!

## WAS "TUT" JOSEPH?

### BIBLE QUOTED TO SUPPORT THE THEORY.

Was Tutankhamen the Joseph of the Bible?

Professor Selikovitsch, the renowned Egyptologist, maintains in the New York *Jewish Forum*, that he was.

If this theory is correct, says the *Daily Express*, it follows that when the sarcophagus comes to be opened it will be found to be empty.

The following passages are quoted from the Bible in support of this: "And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence. So Joseph died, being an hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt."—Genesis l., 25, 26.

"The children of Israel went up armed out of the Land of Egypt and Moses took the bones of Joseph with him."—Exodus xiii., 18-19.

Tutankhamen, says the professor, was never a King of Egypt. He was a full-fledged regent, or rather co-regent, in the time of the 18th dynasty, which corresponds to the time in which Joseph lived. Tutankhamen was a heretical Pharaoh, who erased from the Egyptian monuments the names of the various gods—Ra, Osiris, Isis, Ptah, Seb—and substituted the new deity, which some Egyptologists read "Aten." This, the professor declares, is an error, and the word should be "Adon," which is, of course, the Hebrew for Lord.

CONFUSION EXPLAINED.

If Tutankhamen and Joseph were the same it would explain the fact that no "Book of the Dead" or anything in the nature of a religious ritual, was discovered in the tomb.

Professor Selikovitsch points out that the Talmud states that "Joseph had concealed three precious treasures in Egypt." These, he holds, must refer to a concealment in the grave, "the safest place to conceal treasures."

The *Jewish World*, which quotes the professor's theory, says that it will account for the confusion in which the treasures of the tomb were found.

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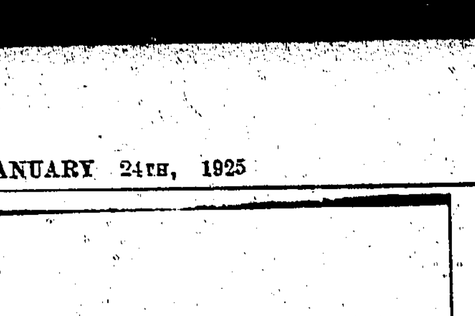



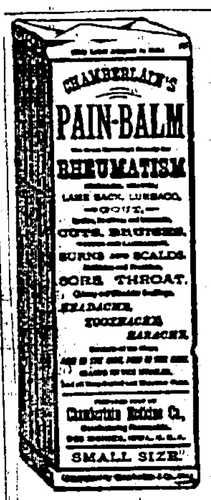


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### PUBLIC REPUGNANCE AND DISGUST.

Commenting on the Midland Bank case, *The Times* remarked that opinion differed in Court, and doubtless will differ among the public, as to which of the persons mentioned in the case deserves the crown of infamy on the evidence as it stands. Women may perhaps be disposed to award it to the plaintiff claiming part of the proceeds of a theft paid for the concealment of his wife's defilement, or to divide it between him and his wife. Lord Darling found difficulty in deciding between the claims of two of the other men named in the evidence. He allows that they run each other hard, but he seems to intimate that one has attained the preeminence of villainy.

Great writers have sometimes sought to paint the "under-world." Not the most daring among them have put upon the canvas scenes more revolting or more despicable in the cold-blooded and sordid vices they display than several which the evidence in this case has depicted. The cynism of most characters in the drama provokes laughter, but it is laughter of amazement and of scorn. There is something ludicrous in this naked parade of greed and of obscenity, but the predominant impression it leaves in minds not squeamish over common frailties is that of unmitigated repugnance and disgust.

It may be observed, adds *The Times*, that the description of Mr. "A" as an "Oriental potentate" is misleading, and that it may be unpleasant to others to whom the title correctly applies. He is of near kin to such a potentate, but he is not himself a ruling prince. It should also be clearly and generally known that the "A.D.C.," though he has worn uniform, has never belonged to any branch of the Regular Army.

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But when injected into tuberculous animals the results were disastrous. The wholesale destruction of the bacilli liberated their poisons, and in many cases these proved fatal.

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By this treatment Prof. Mollgaard claims to have completely cured two apes from the Copenhagen Zoo who were dying of consumption.

For the past year many hospitals in Denmark have been using the cure for human patients. At first it was tried on hopeless and dying cases and in many instances hastened their death, but with increased knowledge many patients for whom there was no hope have improved.

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## UNKNOWN MONSTER.

### TWICE AS LARGE AS CAST OF DIPLODOCCUS.

The necessary funds—between £5,000 and £10,000—appears to be the only obstacle in the way of the discovery, and the acquisition for the British Museum of Natural History, of the skeleton of a hitherto unknown monster that should prove to be twice the length of the Diplodoccus, a cast of which forms the central feature of the Reptile Gallery in the Museum.

The Diplodoccus had a tail forty-nine feet long, and his head, neck, and body stretched a span of thirty-five and a half feet. He stood over twelve feet high, was a vegetarian, and had a head and brain capacity smaller than that of a horse.

In conversation with a *Morning Post* representative recently Sir Sidney Harmer, Director of the Natural History Museum, stated that the Museum was co-operating with a collector in the Tanganyika territory who had discovered remains of a prehistoric animal, which, instead of having an upper arm bone three and a half feet long, like that of the Natural History Museum cast, had one that was seven feet long.

"I have just received," he said, "a letter from him, in which he states that he has succeeded in getting very fine gigantic bones in a good state of preservation. If it be possible for the work that he is doing to continue, his results should help to clear up many obscure points about the dinosaurs, and there is good reason to believe that the Museum might secure the remains of an animal twice the size of the cast that now stands in the centre of the Reptile Gallery."

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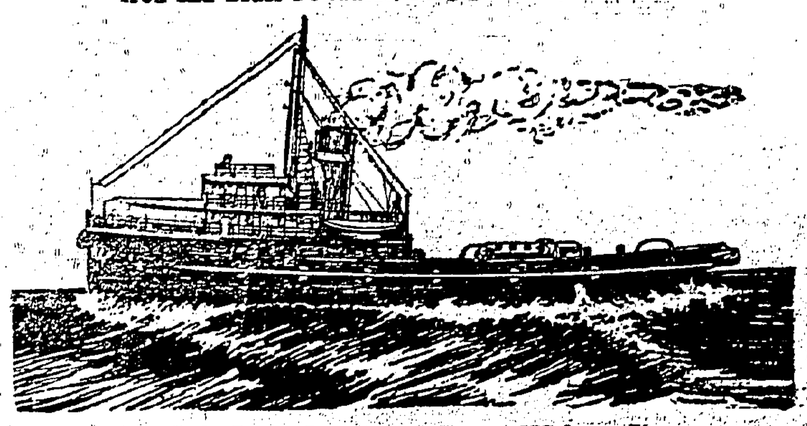

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*Mos*, French str., 1,849 tons, Capt. Caisola, from Saigon, with a general cargo and rice, lying at Kowloon wharf.—M.M.

*Moay Seong*, British str., 989 tons, Capt. J. H. Fergason, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C46.—J. M. & Co.

*Pendeen*, British str., 2,181 tons, Capt. G. Popham, from Cardiff and Sabang, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. A25.—Master

*Nodegawara Maru*, Japanese str., 830 tons, Capt. K. Ooka, from Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C46.—Y.K.K.

*Tachibana Maru*, Japanese str., 3,849 tons, Capt. G. Kurushima, from San Pedro, with kerosene oil, lying at A.P.C. wharf.—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

*Wakshan*, Chilean str., 258 tons, Capt. Chan Chan, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B23.—Sui Lee S.S. Co.

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*Bawarun*, British str., 2,569 tons, Capt. J. H. Mason, from London and Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B35.—Gibb, Livers ton & Co.

*Hydrangea*, British str., 561 tons, Capt. W. Brewer, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at China On wharf, Chin On S.S. Co.

*Kalyan*, British str., 5,679 tons, Capt. R. Maitalne, R.N.R., from Yokohama, which port she left on January 13th, with a general cargo.—P. & O.

*Tsuru Maru*, Japanese str., 718 tons, Capt. T. Ishigaki, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C47.—M.B.K.

## CLEARANCES.

January 23rd.

*Chekyar Maru*, for Hoihow.
*Drafax*, for Saigon.
*Dux*, for Haiphong.
*Keijo Maru*, for Swatow.
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DEPARTURES.

Per S.S. *Empress of Canada*, on 23rd:—Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Alleman, Dr. & Mrs. Asmis, Mr. G. Atkinson, Mr. J. E. Barbour, Mr. R. E. Barbour, Mr. E. Bigoney, Mr. Geo. E. Bird, Mr. A. H. Bishop, Mr. S. M. Brown, Mrs. C. M. G. Burnie, Mr. W. H. Burtt, Miss Chan Soo Kwan, Mr. Chang Hsi Ei, Mr. W. C. Chant, Mrs. T. H. Charter and family, Mr. K. Y. Chen, Mr. F. V. Chen, Mr. A. M. d'Eca, Mr. R. A. Denne, Miss Mary Dunn, Miss N. Elliott, Mrs. M. A. J. van Emstede, Mr. and Mrs. R. Franz and infant, Miss A. H. Frazar, Mr. J. E. L. Greensill, Lieut. D. O. F. Gregory, Mr. A. S. Gomes, Mr. C. E. Guest, Mr. B. C. Guy, Mr. H. A. Havenier, Mr. H. Hewat, Mr. F. J. Higham, Mr. W. J. Hoos, Mr. G. D. Jack, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Jeffress, Mr. T. K. King, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Koehler, Mr. A. Lambelet, Mr. Lee King Tong, Mr. and Mrs. Luong Shuck Ky, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Lynch, Mrs. J. E. Lyons, Dr. G. B. MacFarland, Dr. A. Marasigan, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. G. May and son, Mr. J. T. Maynard, Mr. H. G. McNeary, Mr. T. de Meester, Mr. F. H. Mody, Mr. and Mrs. W. Morris, Mr. D. B. W. Murray, Miss Mary Nelson, Mr. J. S. Nicolson, Mrs. F. L. Osborne, Mr. H. E. Parkinson, Mr. T. R. Porter, Mr. W. Rees, Mr. R. I. Roberge, Mr. C. D. Ryan, Mr. E. Shaw, Mr. K. Shibahara, Misses M. L. and J. L. Smith, Mrs. Y. W. Smith, Lieut. Col. F. E. Spencer, Mr. C. S. Sun, Mr. A. M. Thompson, Miss Alice M. Tompkins, Mr. James Y. Tong, Miss Tong Tuk Yee, Mrs. D. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Toy, Mr. A. Tutundjian, Miss K. E. Vaughan, Miss J. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Webb, Mr. W. Weir, Mrs. A. Wilson, Mr. Wong Fa Foo, Mr. Wong Hang Chow, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Wong, Mrs. D. B. Yoder, Mr. E. Zeitlyn, Mr. E. Zoummeroff.

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

*Astyanax* (Blue Funnel), due February 2nd.
*Benavon* (Ben Line), due to-morrow.
*Canton* (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), due January 30th.
*Dardanus* (Blue Funnel), due February 16th.
*Empress of Australia*, due to-morrow, 9 a.m.
*Eurypylus* (Blue Funnel), due January 29th.
*Patroclus* (Blue Funnel), due February 3rd.
*President Adams* (Dollar), due, March 2nd.
*President Hayes* (Dollar), due February 2nd.
*President Jackson* (Admiral Oriental), due to-morrow.
*Rhesus* (Blue Funnel), due February 6th.
*Sardinia* (P. & O.), due January 25th.
*Sardinia* (P. & O.), due to-morrow, noon.

# VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

| DESTINATION | VESSEL'S NAMES | FLAG | FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO | TO BE DESPATCHED |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York & Boston via Panama | Takatoyo Maru | Jap. | Nippon Yusen Kaisha | On 16th Feb. |
| New York & Boston | Eastern Prince | Brit. | Prince Line | On 1st Feb. |
| Boston, New York & Baltimore via Suez | Atreus | Brit | The Bank Line, Limited | On 28th inst. |
| San Francisco via S'hai & Jap. Ports & H'lu. | President Wilson | Am. | Pacific Mail S.S. Co. | On 31st inst., 11 a.m. |
| San Francisco, &c. | West Prospect | Am. | Struthers & Barry | On 31st inst. |
| Victoria & Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, &c. | Empress Russia | Brit. | Canadian Pacific O. S. Ltd. | On 6th Feb. |
| Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver via Jo Ports. | Shidzuoka Maru | Jap. | Nippon Yusen Kaisha | On 4th Feb. |
| Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver | Talthybius | Brit. | Butterfield & Swire | On 10th Feb. |
| Seattle & Victoria, via S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama | Presidt. Jackson | Am. | Admiral Oriental Line | On 13th Feb. |
| Marseilles & London. | Mores | Brit. | P. & O., B. I. & A. L. | On 7th Feb. |
| Marseilles, &c. | Chantilly | Fren | Messageries Maritimes | On 15th Feb. |
| Marseilles, &c. | Porthos | Fren | Messageries Maritimes | On 1st Mar. |
| Marseilles, &c. | Amboise | Fren | Messageries Maritimes | On 1st Feb. |
| Marseilles, &c. | Kitano Maru | Jap. | Nippon Yusen Kaisha | On 28th inst., 11 a.m. |
| Marseilles, London, Antwerp via Singapore, &c. | City of Tokio | Brit. | The Bank Line, Ltd. | On — |
| Havre, London, R'dam & Hamburg | Bellerophon | Brit. | Butterfield & Swire | On 1st Feb. |
| Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow | Derflinger | Ger. | Melchers & Co. | On 6th Feb. |
| Genoa, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg, Bremen, &c. | Sarpedon | Brit. | Butterfield & Swire | On 23th inst. |
| Amsterdam, London & Hamburg | Glenbeg | Brit. | Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd | On 25th inst. |
| London, Rotterdam, Hamburg | Onderkerk | Dut. | Java-China-Japan-Lijn | On 24th inst. |
| Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Bremen | Morioka Maru | Jap. | Nippon Yusen Kaisha | On 29th inst. |
| Bombay via Singapore & Colombo | Fooksang | Brit. | Jardines, Matheson & Co., Ltd. | On 29th inst., 3 p.m. |
| Straits & Calcutta | Talma | Brit. | P. & O., B. I. & A. L. | On 7th Feb. |
| Singapore, Penang & Calcutta | Sardinia | Brit. | P. & O., B. I. & A. L. | On 18th Feb. |
| Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, &c. | Kaylan | Brit. | P. & O., B. I. & A. L. | On 8th Feb. |
| Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, &c. | Van Cloon | Dut. | Java-China-Japan-Lijn | On 12th Feb. |
| Singapore & Belawan-Deli | Numidia | Ital. | Dodwell & Co., Ltd. | On 25th Feb. |
| Brindisi, Venice & Trieste | Huichow | Brit. | Butterfield & Swire | On 15th Feb., 4 p.m. |
| Weihaiwei, Chefoo, Dalny & Tientsin | Taikwa Maru | Jap. | Yamashita Kisen Kaisha | About — |
| Haiphong via Hoihow & Pakhoi | Chukwa Maru | Jap. | Yamashita Kisen Kaisha | About — |
| Keelung via Swatow & Amoy | Mansang | Brit. | Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. | On 23th inst., Noon |
| Sandakan | Mishima Maru | Jap. | Nippon Yusen Kaisha | On 18th Feb. |
| Australian Ports via Manila | St. Albans | Brit. | P. & O., B. I. & A. L. | On 4th Feb. |
| Australian Ports | Taiyuan | Brit. | Butterfield & Swire | On 28th Feb. |
| Australian Ports | Toba Maru | Jap. | Nippon Yusen Kaisha | On 2 th inst. |
| Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama | Yatshing | Brit. | Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd | On 29th inst., 7 a.m. |
| Tsingtau via Swatow & Shanghai | Tanda | Brit. | P. & O., B. I. & A. L. | On 7th Feb. |
| Moji & Kobe | Malwa | Brit. | P. & O., B. I. & A. L. | On 7th Feb. |
| Shanghai, Moji & Kobe | Kashgar | Brit. | P. & O., B. I. & A. L. | On 21st Feb. |
| Shanghai, Moji & Kobe | Fiumie-L | Dut. | Dodwell & Co., Ltd. | About 5th Feb. |
| Yokohama, Shanghai, Kobe & Moji | Tjiliwo | Dut. | Java-China-Japan Lijn | On 7th Mar. |
| Amoy & Shanghai | Arafura | Brit. | P. & O., B. I. & A. L. | On 21st Feb. |
| Moji & Kobe | Sendai | Brit. | P. & O., B. I. & A. L. | On — |
| Shanghai, Moji & Kobe | Lienshing | Brit. | Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. | About 30th inst. |
| Tientsin, &c. | Tjisalak | Dut. | Java-China-Japan Lijn | On 27th inst., 10 a.m. |
| Batavia | Mingsang | Brit. | Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. | On 27th inst., 11 a.m. |
| Haiphong via Hoihow | Kwangchow | Brit. | Butterfield & Swire | On 3rd Feb., 11 a.m. |
| Swatow & Bangkok | Kingyuan | Brit | Butterfield & Swire | On 3rd Feb., 1 p.m. |
| Swatow & Singapore | Haihong | Brit | Douglas Laprait & Co. | On 30th inst., 4 p.m. |
| Swatow, Amoy & Foochow | Hai-Ning | Brit | Douglas Laprait & Co. | On 4th Feb., 2 p.m |
| Swatow, Amoy & Foochow | President Cleveland | Am | Pacific Mail S.S. Co. | On 27th Feb. |
| Manila | Empress Asia | Brit. | Canadian Pacific O. S. Ltd. | On 23th inst., 9 a.m. |
| Manila | Suisang | Brit. | Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd | On 25 h inst |
| Manila | President Jackson | Am. | Admiral Oriental Line | On 12th Feb |
| Manila | West Ivan | Brit | Struthers & Barry | |
| Haiphong, Manila, Cebu & Zamboanga | | | | |

## HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, January 23rd

| | Previous Day at 2 p.m. | On Date at 6 a.m. | On Date at 2 p.m. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Barometer ... | 29.97 | 29.94 | 29.89 |
| Temperature ... | 61 | 56 | 62 |
| Humidity ... | 72 | 87 | 77 |
| Wind Direction... | E | E | E |
| Force ... | 5 | 5 | 4 |
| Weather ... ... | O | C | B |
| Rain ... ... | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

Hightest open-air Temperature on 22nd ... 61
Lowest open-air Temperature on 23rd ... 55

## HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

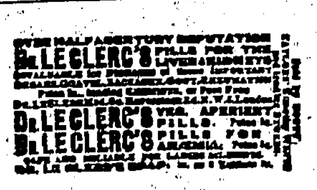
From January 24th to 30th, 1925.

| Days of Week. | Days of Month. | High Water H'kong Standard Time. | Height. | Low Water H'kong Standard Time. | Height. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | h. m. | ft. in. | h. m. | ft. in. |
| Satur. | 24 | m 9 47 | 4 5 | m 3 28 | 0 5 |
| | | 8 56 a | 8 2 | 2 16 a | 2 9 |
| Sun. | 25 | m 10 32 | 4 5 | m 4 14 | 0 4 |
| | | 9 42 a | 8 1 | 3 4 a | 2 8 |
| Mon. | 26 | m 11 15 | 4 6 | m 4 58 | 0 4 |
| | | 10 27 a | 7 8 | 3 51 a | 2 8 |
| Tues. | 27 | m 11.57 | 4 6 | m 5 41 | 0 7 |
| | | 11 12 a | 7 3 | 4 39 a | 2 8 |
| Wed. | 28 | 0 40 a | 4 7 | m 6 23 | 1 1 |
| | | 11 58 a | 6 7 | 5 29 a | 3 0 |
| Thur. | 29 | 1 26 a | 4 8 | m 7 4 | 1 6 |
| | | | | 6 26 a | 3 2 |
| Fri. | 30 | m 0 47 | 6 0 | m 7 48 | 1 5 |
| | | 2 18 a | 4 9 | 7 40 a | 3 4 |

## CHURCH SERVICES.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.—Sunday Services, January 25th:—
Sunday School at 10 o'clock.
Morning Service at 11 o'clock:—
Hymns: 66, 796, 305, 574.
Anthem: "We bow in Prayer."
Subject: "There shall be no more Pain."
P.S.A. Meeting at 4 p.m.:—
Address by Commandant Newton, S.A.
Evening Service at 6 o'clock:—
Office Service in connection with the Medical Congress, followed by Open Communion.
Hymns: 133, 568, 676, 249.
Preacher both Morning and Evening: Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie. [1589

First Church of Christ Scientists, Macdonnell Road, below Bowen Road Tram Station.—Sunday, 11.15 a.m. Wednesday, 5.30 p.m. Reading Room open Tuesday and Friday mornings—10 to 12. [193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DURBAN MARU ... Middle of March

LIVERPOOL via ADEN & MARSEILLES.
LIMA MARU ... Sunday, 8th Feb.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila Ports.
MISHIMA MARU ... Wednesday, 18th Feb.
TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 18th Mar.

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BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.
KAMAKURA MARU ... Wednesday, 14th Mar.

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CEYLON AMBT ... Friday, 6th Feb.
MORIOKA MARU ... Thursday, 29th Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
MOJI MARU ... Friday, 30th Jan.
BENUE MARU ... Saturday, 7th Feb.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
TANGO MARU ... Thursday, 12th Feb. at 11 a.m.

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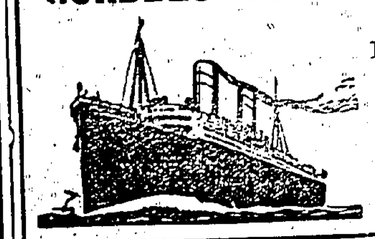

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|---|---|---|---|
| "KALYAN" | 9,118 | 24th Jan., Noon | Marc., L'don, A'werp. & Hull |
| "MOREA" | 10,911 | 7th Feb. | Marseilles & London |
| "DONGOLA" | 8,083 | 8th Feb. | S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay. |
| "SARDINIA" | 6,884 | 18th Feb. | S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay. |
| "KASHMIR" | 8,963 | 21st Feb. | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull |
| "MALWA" | 10,941 | 7th Mar. | Marseilles & London |
| "SOUDAN" | 6,696 | 18th Mar. | S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay. |
| "KASHGAR" | 9,005 | 21st Mar. | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| "SICILIA" | 6,813 | 31st Mar. | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay. |
| "MANTUA" | 10,902 | 4th Apr. | Marseilles & London |
| "KARMALA" | 9,098 | 18th Apr. | Marc., L'don. & A'werp. |
| "MACEDONIA" | 11,089 | 2nd May | Marseilles & London |
| "NAGOYA" | 6,854 | 16th May | Marseilles & London |
| "SARDINIA" | 6,884 | 16th May | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay. |
| "SOUDAN" | 6,698 | 28th May | S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay. |
| "MOREA" | 10,911 | 30th May | Marseilles & London |
| "KALYAN" | 9,118 | 13th June | Marc., London & Antwerp |
| "MALWA" | 10,941 | 27th June | Marseilles & London |
| "KASHMIR" | 8,005 | 11th July | Marc., London & Antwerp |
| "MANTUA" | 10,902 | 25th July | Marseilles & London |

BRITISH INDIA—APCAR SAILINGS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| "TALMA" | 10,000 | 7th Feb. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| "TILAWA" | 10,000 | 16th Feb. | do. |
| "TALAMBA" | 8,000 | 25th Feb. | do. |
| "TAKLIWA" | — | 6th Mar | do. |

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *"ST. ALBANS" | 4,500 | 4th Feb. | Manila, Sandakan Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane Sydney & Melbourne. |
| "TANDA" | 6,958 | 28th Feb. | |
| "ARAFURA" | 6,000 | 1st April | |

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| "KASHMIR" | 8,963 | 25th Jan., 4 p.m | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| "SARDINIA" | 6,884 | 27th Jan., D.L. | do. |
| "TALAMBA" | 8,000 | 4th Feb. | Kobe. |
| "MALWA" | 10,941 | 7th Feb. | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| "TANDA" | 6,958 | 7th Feb. | Moji & Kobe |
| "TAKLIWA" | 7,736 | 13th Feb. | do. |
| "KASHGAR" | 9,005 | 21st Feb. | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe. |
| "SOUDAN" | 6,696 | 21st Feb. | do. |
| "TAIREA" | 7,923 | 24th Feb. | Moji & Kobe |
| "SICILIA" | 6,813 | 7th Mar. | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe. |
| "ARAFURA" | 6,000 | 7th Mar. | Moji & Kobe. |
| "MANTUA" | 10,902 | 7th Mar. | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| "TAKADA" | 6,949 | 10th Mar. | Moji & Kobe. |
| "KARMALA" | 9,098 | 21st Mar. | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe. |
| "MACEDONIA" | 11,089 | 3rd Apr. | do. |
| "ST. ALBANS" | 4,500 | 4th Apr. | Moji & Kobe. |
| "SARDINIA" | 6,884 | 17th Apr. | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| "NAGOYA" | 6,854 | 23rd Apr. | do. |
| "MOREA" | 10,911 | 1st May | do |
| "SONDAN" | 6,693 | 1st May | do |
| "TANDA" | 6,958 | 9th May | Moji & Kobe |
| "KALYAN" | 9,118 | 15th May | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe. |
| "MALWA" | 10,941 | 29th May | do. |
| "ARAFURA" | 6,000 | 6th June | Moji & Kobe. |
| "KASHMIR" | 8,963 | 12th June | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| "MANTUA" | 10,902 | 26th June | do. |
| "ST. ALBANS" | 4,500 | 4th July | Moji & Kobe. |
| "KASHGAR" | 9,005 | 10th July | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| "MACEDONIA" | 11,089 | 24th July | do. |

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

| Ports | Steamers | Date of Departure |
|---|---|---|
| SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO ... ... | "LIANGCHOW" ... | On 24th Jan., 10 a.m. |
| HAIPHONG ... ... | "CHINHUA" ... | On 26th Jan., D.L. |
| SWATOW & BANGKOK ... ... | "KWANGCHOW" | On 27th Jan., 11 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO ... ... | "LINAN" ... | On 29th Jan., Noon. |
| SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... | "SHANTUNG" ... | On 29th Jan., 11 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO ... ... | "KANCHOW" ... | On 31st Jan., Noon. |
| SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... ... | "SUIYANG" ... | On 1st Feb., 11 a.m. |
| SWATOW & BANGKOK ... ... | "KALGAN" ... | On 1st Feb., 11 a.m. |
| AMOY & SHANGHAI ... ... | "SINKIANG" ... | On 2nd Feb., 5 p.m. |
| SWATOW & SINGAPORE ... | "KINGYUAN" ... | On 3rd Feb., 11 a.m. |
| HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG | "TAMING" ... | On 5th Feb., 10 a.m. |
| AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE ... | "ANHUI" ... | On 7th Feb., D.L. |
| SWATOW & BANGKOK ... ... | "KWANGTUNG" | On 8th Feb., 11 a.m. |
| HOIHOW & SINGAPORE ... | "TEAN" ... | On 12th Feb., 10 a.m. |
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### INWARD MAILS.

| From | Per | Due |
|---|---|---|
| Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London, 25th Dec., 1924, and Parcels, 18th Dec., 1924.) | *Kashmir* | 24th Jan. |
| Japan | *Tjisalak* | 24th Jan. |
| Shanghai | *Saiyang* | 24th Jan. |
| Shanghai | *Linan* | 24th Jan. |
| U.S.A., Canada, Japan, Shanghai & London via Canada (London, 20th Dec., 1924.) | *Empr. of Australia* | 25th Jan. |
| Straits | *Sardinia* | 25th Jan. |
| U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai | *Pres. Jackson* | 25th Jan. |
| Straits | *Katori Maru* | 26th Jan. |
| Japan | *Kitano Maru* | 27th Jan. |
| Manila | *Pres. Lincoln* | 29th Jan. |
| Manila | *Pres. Jackson* | 1st Feb. |
| Japan | *St. Albans* | 1st Feb. |
| U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai | *Pres. Hayes* | 2nd Feb. |

### OUTWARD MAILS.

| For | Per | Date | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Shanghai and Japan | *Kashmir* | Sunday, 25th, | 9.00 A.M. |
| Haiphong | *Chinhua* | | 9.00 A.M. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Formosa | *Kaijo Maru* | | 9.00 A.M. |
| Manila | *Pres. Jackson* | Monday, 26th, | 9.00 A.M. |
| Swatow and Bangkok | *Chaksang* | | 9.00 A.M. |
| Japan | *Sumarang Maru* | | 9.00 A.M. |
| Hoihow and Haiphong | *Mingsang* | Tuesday, 27th, | 8.30 A.M. |
| *Swatow and Bangkok | *Kwangchow* | | 9.30 A.M. |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 24th Feb. | *Sarpedon* | Registration | 9.45 A.M. |
| Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia (correspondence specially superscribed "via Siberia" only.) | | Letters | 10.30 A.M. |
| Swatow | *Katori Maru* | | 10.00 A.M. |
| Swatow | *Hydrangea* | | 3.30 P.M. |
| | *Loksang* | | 5.00 P.M. |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E and S. Africa, Egypt, & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 29th, Feb. | *Kitano Maru* | Wednesday, 28th, Registration | 8.45 A.M. |
| Shanghai | | Letters | 9.30 A.M. |
| Amoy | *Linan* | | 10.30 A.M. |
| | *Hosang* | | 5.00 P.M. |
| Sandakan | *Mausang* | Thursday, 29th, | 10.30 A.M. |
| Straits and Calcutta | *Fooksang* | | 1.00 P.M. |
| Swatow | *Yusang* | | 5.00 P.M. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Foochow | *Hai Ning* | Friday, 30th, | 3.00 P.M. |
| Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *Canada *U.S.A., *C. & *S. America, & *EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco, 25th Feb. | *Pres. Lincoln* | Parcels, 30th, Saturday, 31st, Registration | 5.00 P.M. 8.45 A.M. |
| Shanghai | *Kanchow* | Letters | 9.30 A.M. 10.30 A.M. |
| Haiphong, Saigon, *Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 4th March—Ship sails at 4 p.m. on Sunday, the 1st February | *Amboise* | Reg. Letters | 4.15 P.M. 5.00 P.M. |
| | | FEBRUARY | |
| Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, and *EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C. 21st Feb. | *Pres. Jackson* | Monday, 2nd, Parcels, Registration | Noon 2.45 P.M. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Foochow | *Haihong* | Letters | 3.30 P.M. |
| Swatow | *Kwong Sang* | Tuesday, 3rd, | Noon 5.00 P.M. |

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| Bank Bills, on demand | 2/3 13/16 |
| Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight | — |
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| Credits, at 4 months' sight | 2/4⅛ |
| Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight | 2/4⅛ |
| On Paris.— | |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 1,095 |
| Credits, 4 months' sight | 1,125 |
| On New York.— | |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 55⅞ |
| Credits, at 30 days' sight | 57 |
| On Bombay.— | |
| Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand | 155 |
| On Calcutta.— | |
| Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand | 155 |
| On Shanghai.— | |
| Bank Bills, at sight | nom. |
| Private, 30 days' sight | nom. |
| On Yokohama.—On demand | 143½ |
| On Manila.—On demand | 111 |
| On Singapore.—On demand | 99 |
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A. LECOT,
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KAN TONG PO,
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U. ARIMA, Manager.
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